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**Iran reserves
ordered into
border war**

TEHRAN, Sept. 21 (R) — Iran called up reservists Saturday night to bolster regular troops fighting Iraqi forces along almost all of the two countries' 1,200 km (720-mile) common border.

President Abolhassan Bani-Sadr, who is commander-in-chief of the armed forces, ordered the reservists to report for active duty by Oct. 2 "to defend the integrity of the country."

It was not immediately known how many of Iran's estimated 300,000 reservists were affected by the call-up, in which Bani-Sadr declared that Iran had been "invaded and attacked by strangers and people devoted to international imperialism."

The order, read over state radio, covered all officers and men who completed national service during the Persian year ending on March 20, 1978, just under a year before Iran's Islamic revolution which dealt a heavy blow to the former imperial army.

The call-up was seen as partly symbolic, but it also hinted at the damage done to the Shah's once mighty army of 285,000 men by the revolution, subsequent purges and a year of grueling clashes against the Iraqis and Kurdish autonomist rebels.

A military communique said ground and air battles raged Saturday along most of the frontier with Iraq, from Kurdistan province in the north to the disputed Shatt Al-Arab waterway leading into the Gulf.

In heavy fighting over the past two weeks, Iraq has seized small strips of border territory. But in a visit to border areas last week Bani-Sadr pledged to recapture it all.

Four days ago, Baghdad tore up a 1975 treaty with Iran on land frontiers and joint control of the Shatt Al-Arab, which it said should be returned to total Iraqi sovereignty.

But officials in the ports of Abadan and Khorramshahr on the disputed estuary said the situation was unchanged on the Iranian side. Ships coming to the ports were still flying the Iranian flag and taking instructions from Iranian authorities, they said.

Meanwhile, a Palestinian leader said Saturday Palestine Liberation Organization chief Yasser Arafat is trying to mediate in the border conflict.

Abu Iyad (Salah Khalaf), a member of the central committee of the Fatah commando organization, said PLO representatives had been sent to both countries. He described their first contacts with Iraqi and Iranian leaders as "positive."

He added: "It is possible Yasser Arafat will get involved in the next few days, perhaps as a mediator."

"It will be a pity if this confrontation gets worse," he said. "But I think there are very encouraging signals that things will get better."

The PLO has good relations with both countries involved in the border dispute.



President Bani-Sadr

**Seabed fight
forces Malta
toward West**

VALLETTA, Malta, Sept. 21 (AP) — Malta may have to ask someone "big and strong," for help in its dispute with Libya over seabed rights, Prime Minister Dom Mintoff warned Saturday.

The Mediterranean island country has recently been edging toward the West in its foreign policy and the comment could have referred to the United States or a West European power, observers said.

The prime minister stressed, however, that Malta wishes to remain equidistant between the superpowers and said that it would only seek outside help as a last resort. "We know that this is an immensely dangerous card, and we do not intend using it unless it is absolutely necessary," Mintoff said.

A Libyan submarine recently prevented a Maltese-authorized rig from drilling for oil in disputed waters between the two countries. Malta retaliated by expelling Libyan military personnel who were manning a flight of helicopters.

Mintoff said Malta will not close Libyan factories on the island, where the North African country has investments estimated at more than \$120 million. The prime minister also said that Arab countries other than Libya are supporting Malta in the dispute. Malta has obtained arms from Algeria.

Malaysia backs Jihad

BEIRUT, Sept. 21 (AP) — Malaysia has joined other Islamic states in supporting Saudi Arabian Crown Prince Fahd's call for jihad, or holy war, against Israel, the official Saudi news agency said Sunday.

In an interview with the Saudi daily *Al Medina* excerpts of which were carried by the Saudi news agency, Prime Minister Datuk Hussein Bin Onn is quoted as saying that his country "supports its Arab brothers against the Israeli enemy and the liberation of Palestine and Jerusalem."

**Libyan aid
said easing
Syrian debt**

DAMASCUS, Syria, Sept. 21 (AP) — Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi's government has paid off nearly \$1 billion worth of Syrian debts owned to the Soviet Union for arms purchases, well-informed sources here said Saturday.

The sources said the Libyans paid nearly \$600 million this week alone to bolster the sagging Syrian economy and help pay for weapons.

Syria and Libya agreed this month to merge into a single state to strengthen Arab defenses against Israel.

Syria officials refused to confirm or deny the Libyan payments report which followed an announcement on Damascus radio that Syrian President Hafez Assad planned to travel to Moscow in the first half of October for top-level talks with Soviet leaders.

The Soviet-Syrian talks are expected to focus on Syrian requests for more modern weaponry and observers believe the Syrian position would be enhanced by the Libyan aid. Other sources in Damascus suggested that during the visit Assad would sign a treaty of friendship and cooperation with Moscow and possibly a mutual defense treaty with the Warsaw Pact.

Syrian officials declined comment on the report of a pact but one said the visit was of "utmost importance" and that it "could be the most important visit ever by Assad to Moscow."

The Syrians are believed to be interested in acquiring the latest Soviet MiG-25 jets and T-72 tanks to redress what they consider an imbalance of military power with Israel now that Egypt is no longer in a state of war with the Jewish state.

The Libyan financial aid is the first tangible fruit for Syria of a merger pact that was first proposed by Qaddafi Sept. 1. Syrian Economy Minister Mohammed Attrash said in a statement broadcast by the Syrian state television that the "economic situation of Syria and its balance of payments have recently improved substantially."

No figures were given but observers in Damascus noted that the Syrian pound improved its position vis-a-vis the dollar during the last week. It now costs 4.56 Syrian pounds to buy one U.S. dollar compared to 4.12 Syrian pounds only a week ago.

Published reports have said that Syria receives about \$1.8 billion in Arab aid annually but that Syria seeks at least five billion. The greatest drain is the military expenditures, which reportedly account for 70 per cent of the total budget.

Inflation is officially reported to be about 15 to 20 per cent but Mideast business publications have said it runs closer to 30 per cent.

U.S. worried about relations**Kingdom's views
cause concern
in Washington**

Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 — Official observers in the Carter administration, who have been closely following the recent changes in Saudi Arabia's political stand toward the United States, are increasingly worried about the future of the U.S.-Saudi relationship.

As evidence of this shift, these officials point to the recent announcement made by Saudi Arabia and Kuwait that unless the PLO were admitted as an observer to the IMF-World Bank meetings to be held in Washington later this month, they would withhold further loans to both organizations. These officials see this as the first of a number of signals which the Saudis have been sending to the administration to show their displeasure with U.S. policy towards the Middle East.

Furthermore, Saudi Arabia's stand at the recently concluded Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries meetings in Vienna also served as a signal of Saudi frustration, these sources added.

Moreover, these sources told *Asharq Al-Awsat* — Arab News that "the administration does not look favorably on Prince Fahd's blessing of the Syrian-Libyan merger — a move which the U.S. has been critical of and tried to underplay."

The American press has begun to take notice of this shift in the U.S.-Saudi relationship. On Sept. 19, the *Christian Science Monitor* led with an article entitled "Saudis, losing patience with U.S., flex oil-money muscles." In this article, the *Monitor* analyzes the U.S.-Saudi relationship and tries to shed some light on the Saudis' view of the relationship.

To date, the Saudis see themselves as having taken risks in pursuing a policy within OPEC most likely to be advantageous to the U.S. — by backing minimal price increases and maintaining Saudi oil production at a high level. In return, they feel the U.S. treats Saudi Arabia highhandedly and fails egregiously to meet the obligations of true friendship," reports the *Christian Science Monitor*.

Clearly strains have been visible in the once "special" relationships since the Camp David accords when the United States showed that it was not ready to pressure Israel to solve the Palestinian problem.

Moreover, the reluctance of the Carter administration to take a firm stand against Israel's on the question of East Jerusalem added further strain to the already shaky relationship.

American sources told *Asharq Al-Awsat* — Arab News that "the behavior of the Carter administration toward Israel has embarrassed all our Arab friends in the Middle East and particularly, Saudi Arabia, who has consistently demonstrated its friendship to the U.S. especially in OPEC meetings."

As Prince Fahd recently said, "U.S. policy toward the Arabs will not alter through presidential change but through a strong united Arab stand. Only then the U.S. president, whoever he may be, will be compelled to reckon with Arab power as he reckons with Jewish votes in the elections."



President Carter with King Khaled in 1978

PLO shut out of bank talks?

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 (R) — The United States might have won its battle to exclude the Palestine Liberation Organization from observers status at the joint International Monetary Fund-World Bank annual meetings later this month, monetary sources said Saturday. The Arab states had sought to have the PLO's financial arm, the Palestine National Fund, sit in as observers at the meeting which opens on Sept. 30 in Washington. The United States had objected to a PLO presence, so the issue was taken directly to the IMF's 140 member countries as well as to the World Bank members for a vote.

Under the IMF voting rules, a quorum of a majority of the countries — at least 71 — had

to be achieved in order for the vote to be counted. The monetary sources said the United States managed to convince 73 countries to vote, just barely reaching the quorum. As the United States alone controls nearly 20 per cent of voting power in the fund, the achievement of a quorum meant in effect that the Carter administration had prevailed on the issue.

The sources stressed, however, that the PLO issue was still alive. Arab states, led by Saudi Arabia and Libya, were seeking to have the question placed on the agenda of the annual meeting. But the United States was strongly opposing any such move, the IMF sources said.

Secret Egyptian visit here denied

RIYADH, Sept. 21 (AP) — A Saudi official source quoted by the state-run Riyadh Radio Sunday, denied a Kuwait press report claiming that an Egyptian minister had visited the kingdom secretly to discuss Saudi-Egyptian relations. The source said Saudi Arabia had not changed its stand of abiding by Arab summit conference resolutions.

This was seen as a reiteration that Saudi Arabia continues to support the special Arab summit resolution denouncing President Anwar Sadat and severing diplomatic links and all other relations with Egypt in retaliation for the signing of the separate Camp David peace treaty with Israel by the Egyptian leader.

The Kuwait daily *Al Watan* reported Satur-

day that Egypt's Information Minister Mansour Hassan had visited Saudi Arabia at least twice recently to discuss Saudi-Egyptian relations with Crown Prince Fahd. The paper added in its Cairo-dated dispatch, quoting well informed unnamed sources, that Egyptian authorities were keeping the trips in strict secrecy.

The special U.S. Middle East envoy Sol Linowitz disclosed recently that efforts were under way to bring about a reconciliation between Egypt and Saudi Arabia, but added this might take some time.

The official source quoted by Riyadh Radio appealed to Arab newspapers to check before publishing such reports and to avoid inflaming public passions with falsehoods.

Cairo unconcerned over oil ban

CAIRO, Sept. 21 (R) — Egypt Saturday shrugged off a United Arab Emirates (UAE) decision to ban oil exports to Egypt and to boycott several Egyptian companies for their dealings with Israel.

An oil ministry official said that far from importing oil, Egypt will this year export crude worth \$2.15 billion. The ban is of no significance, he added.

UAE Economy and Trade Minister Sultan Bin Ahmed Al-Mualla Saturday ordered the

ban because "it has been proved that Egypt has actually begun exporting oil to the Zionist entity." Egypt last year agreed to sell Israel two million tons of crude a year and the first delivery was announced in February.

A spokesman for Nefertiti Airlines and its agents Emeco travel, two Egyptian companies included in the UAE boycott, also said the ban was meaningless. "Emeco has no dealings with the UAE and Nefertiti has no intention of (using) UAE airspace," the spokesman said.

**British dockers
call off walkout**

LONDON, Sept. 21 (AP) — A threatened national dock strike by 23,000 British stevedores was called off Sunday when union delegates unanimously accepted a peace formula at a meeting in London. The strike was due to begin Monday.

The dispute centered on the fate of 178 dockers in the northwest England port of Liverpool whose firms are going out of business. Under the peace formula, they will be guaranteed new jobs with other employers.

At first, the 178 men were told there was no other work in the port and they would go on an unattached register with weekly pay of 55 pounds (\$132) compared to their normal earnings of 114 pounds (\$274).

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In Karachi

OIC to discuss transport pact

By Ahmad Shaaban

JEDDAH, Sept. 21 — A group of experts on shipping from the 40 member states of the Organization of the Islamic Conference will meet in Karachi, Sept. 27-29 to finalize the statute of an Islamic Maritime Transporters Union.

Establishment of the union had been recommended by the Eleventh Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers in Islamabad last year upon a proposal by Saudi Arabia. The union will coordinate the activities of the shipping companies of the Islamic world and help develop a sound and efficient ocean transportation system for OIC member states. It will also help make optimum use of the potential of the merchant fleets of the member states and protect their interests by offering sound counsel in maritime matters.

Moreover, it will enable Islamic states to have more voice and play a greater role in international maritime affairs. It would further help create shipping links between the Islamic world and other countries through an integrated maritime network.

The group held its first meeting in Jeddah, Dec. 29-31, 1979, following a resolution of the Tenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers regarding coordination and strengthening of land, sea and air transport, telecommunications and tourism among Islamic states. It recommended that the Islamic Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Commodity Exchange based in Karachi should ascertain the factual position on the existing system of ship registration and submit a working paper about the possibilities for some Islamic countries to emulate the examples of Panama and Liberia in the matter of ship registration.

Other recommendations include the establishment of workable cooperation among shipping and trade organizations of OIC member states and also with international organizations concerned with shipping.

The report of the Jeddah meeting will be submitted to the Third Islamic Summit scheduled to be held in Taif in the last week of December, 1980, through the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs.

Meanwhile, Dr. Ashraf-uz-Zaman of Bangladesh, the director of economic affairs at the OIC general secretariat here, left for Dacca Sunday for the first meeting, Sept. 23-25, of the board of directors of the Islamic Center for Vocational and Technical Training and Research for Islamic Countries.

The meeting will consider, among other issues, the progress made in the construction of the center for which a Turkish architect has been appointed. Saudi Arabia has already committed \$3 million for the construction of the \$10 million center which is provisionally

located in a rented building and whose director already took position in 1979. The Saudi money came as a gift announced in three successive Islamic conferences of foreign ministers over and above the Kingdom's regular contribution to the budget of the Islamic Secretariat in Jeddah and other related organizations. The new director of the center has initiated the necessary measures for formulating training programs and for activating the center. Dr. Zaman told Arab News before leaving for Dacca.

The center will be financed by contributions and regular subscriptions from OIC member states proportionately to their rates of contribution to the OIC budget.

An experts' group meeting will be held in Dacca early in 1981 to examine staff development and curriculum design for the training programs of the center. The programs will train Muslims of all nationalities and help cater for the Muslim world's need for qualified manpower with the ultimate aim of near self-sufficiency in this field.

According to Dr. Zaman, the formal inauguration of the center is likely to take place early next year in conjunction with the first meeting of the center's general assembly which includes all 40 OIC member states.

The official also told Arab News that an experts meeting on trade cooperation met at OIC General Secretariat Headquarters here,

Sept. 14-16 to draw up a trade cooperation program in the light of the general agreement on economic, technical and trade cooperation among OIC member states.

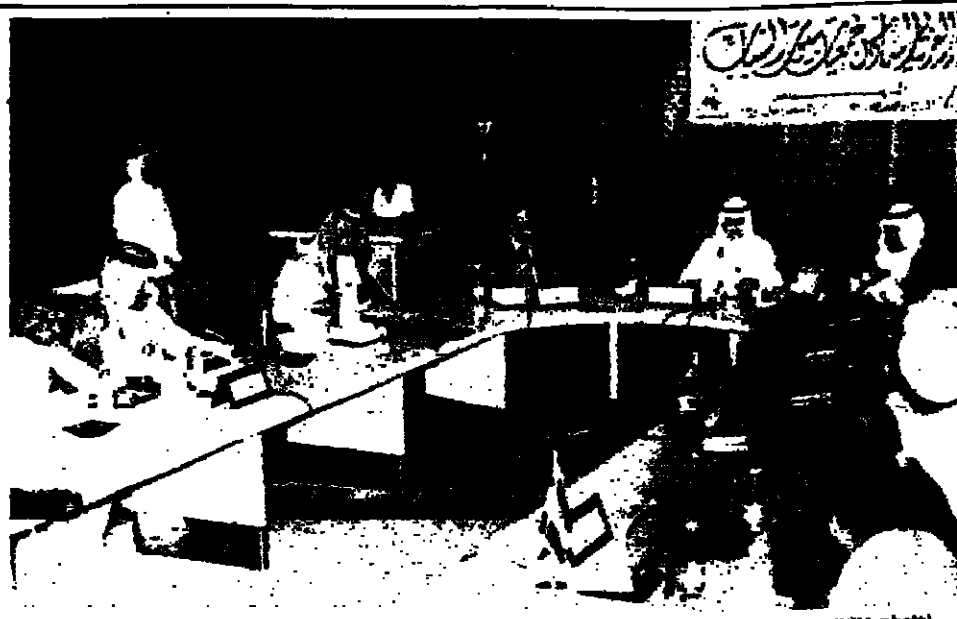
The meeting highlighted the impediments of trade among Islamic countries, including lack of information regarding trading opportunities, inadequate trade financing facilities and lack of export credit guarantee schemes, insurance arrangements and transport and communications links among Islamic countries.

The experts group was set up also by the Eleventh Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers. It is made up of representatives from the OIC General Secretariat, the Jeddah-based Islamic Development Bank, the Islamic Chamber of Commerce, the Statistical, Economic and Social Research and Training Center for Islamic Countries in Ankara. Last week it assessed the position of trade between member states and the action taken on previous recommendations in this respect. It also listed the necessary studies for trade cooperation. Its report will also be submitted to the Third Islamic Summit.

Dr. Zaman indicated that in the same framework of preparations for the summit, an important meeting will be held in Jeddah, October 4-6, in which financial and investment experts will finalize the draft agreement for the protection and guarantee of investments among OIC member states.



DEPARTING: The Tanzanian minister of finance, Emir Jamal, is escorted by Sheikh Muhammad Abu Al-Khalil, minister of finance and national economy, at Jeddah airport while leaving Saturday, after a short visit during which the officials held talks on bilateral relations.



OPENING: Prince Fahd ibn Sultan, deputy minister of labor and social affairs for social care, opening the sixth Arab conference of youth centers Saturday. Prince Fahd ibn Sultan is seen at the head of the table.

Zalfi residents offer aid

Pilgrims increase by 36 per cent

JEDDAH, Sept. 21 (SPA) — Pilgrims arriving here by Friday numbered 46,609. This is 12,233 — 36 per cent — increase over the same period last year.

As part of the preparations to receive pilgrims this year, the Emir of Zalfi, Zaid ibn Saud ibn Khathlan, held a meeting Saturday with heads of government departments to facilitate the Pilgrimage and make it comfortable. Specialists were distributed over to the various departments in accordance with the government's Pilgrimage policy.

Some Zalfi residents offered to help in building a pilgrims city in Zalfi to be completed before the arrival of pilgrims. Pilgrims

coming from Kuwait by land pass through Zalfi.

Meanwhile, officials in Amman, Jordan, announced Saturday the closing of registration for this year's pilgrimage. A spokesman for the Ministry of Endowments said that Jordanian pilgrims numbered 30,000 this year.

The Jordanian Council of Ministers has decided to appoint Kamel Al-Sharif, the minister of endowments, as chairman of the Jordanian Pilgrimage mission for this year. Tharwat Al-Tahluni, Jordan's ambassador to Saudi Arabia, was elected the vice-chairman of the mission.

BRIEFS

Ministers depart

MANAMA, Sept. 21 (SPA) — Minister of Industry and Electricity Dr. Ghazi Algosabi and Bahrain's Minister of Development and Industry Yusuf Ahmad Al-Shirawi left together Saturday to Baghdad to take part in the first meeting of the Arab Industrial Development Organization opening on the same day. The agenda includes the development of joint Arab cooperation in industrial areas, joint Arab industrial coordination, and the enhancement of the organization's activities to enable it achieve industrial integration.

Justice ministers confer

TAIF, Sept. 21 (SPA) — Minister of Justice Sheikh Ibrahim Muhammad Al-Sheikh conferred Sunday with members of the Fatwa (Islamic Legal Opinion) Council of the Higher Council of Islamic Affairs attached to the Council of Ministers in Malaysia. The minister briefed the delegation on the Kingdom's legal procedures and on state support to the Ministry of Justice. He affirmed to them that the security and stability prevailing in Saudi Arabia are but one of the fruits of the application of the Sharia (Islamic Law) in the Kingdom.

Bankers meet

By Amr Hafiz

RIYADH, Sept. 21 — A number of Saudi Arabian businessmen have come together to set up a new Islamic bank here with a subscribed capital of SR300 million, of which one third belongs to the public. They already applied for the necessary licenses and the bank is expected to materialize soon.

Trade mission slated

JEDDAH, Sept. 21 — An extensive range of goods and services, including new products, will be offered to importers in Saudi Arabia by thirteen British companies taking part in the Kent and Sussex Exporters Club trade mission, which arrives in Jeddah on 26

comment

By Samir Shamma
Al Medina

Foreign companies normally come under the sovereignty of the Kingdom's courts, especially the commercial courts, since most contracts envisage that local commercial courts are to be considered the proper authority in considering any dispute.

In fact, the absence of an appeal from the provisions of the Commercial Disputes Settlement Boards seems to be a strange idea for aliens. Many of them, therefore, insist on the inclusion of a clause in their contracts that their disputes are to be referred to arbitration. Regardless of the fact that the country's judiciary must be respected, the disputants would go to these boards with much satisfaction if only they knew that there is a scope for appeal to the higher courts.

The legal courts have higher councils for appeal, and even the commercial courts used to have a Board of Cassation only about 50 years ago when the statute of legal court had been published. Its clause 542 had stipulated that every document can be presented in the Court of Cassation, while clause 549 had envisaged that a judgement could be invalidated on the grounds contained therein. Clause 546 of the statute had given the opportunity to the disputing parties to express their opinion in writing. Not only this, clause 558 had envisaged that, in order that a document becomes valid for execution, it must first be submitted to the Board of Cassation even if no objection has been raised by the concerned party.

Although it may not be intentional, still the absence of appeal in the commercial courts seems to indicate a flaw. It will, however, be insensible to think that the right granted by the statute 50 years ago cannot be revived.

Saudi Arabia hosts Arab youth meeting

RIYADH, Sept. 21 (SPA) — Prince Fahd ibn Sultan, deputy minister of labor and social affairs for social care, who is also the vice-chairman of the Saudi Arabian youth centers association, opened the sixth Arab youth centers conference here Saturday.

The five-day conference held at the Youth Welfare General Presidency, attended by youth leaders from 40 Arab countries, will discuss issues related to youth activity in the Arab World. Mansour Al-Khudairi, secretary general of the Saudi Arabian youth centers association, said:

He pointed out that the main topics at the conference's agenda are: proposed system for working with conferences and advancing research; a new approach to the youth centers in developing countries; a proposed system for a development fund to support youth centers activities in Arab countries; electing Executive Committee members of the Arab Youth Centers Union; and the Arab group's activity in the international conference of youth centers held in New Zealand in August.

Prince Fahd ibn Sultan said in his opening statement that the youth centers activity booming in the Kingdom with the support of the state and special attention of the Youth Welfare Presidency. The association achieved great success and has now spread base across the country. He announced \$30,000 donation from the Kingdom for the Arab Youth Centers Union.

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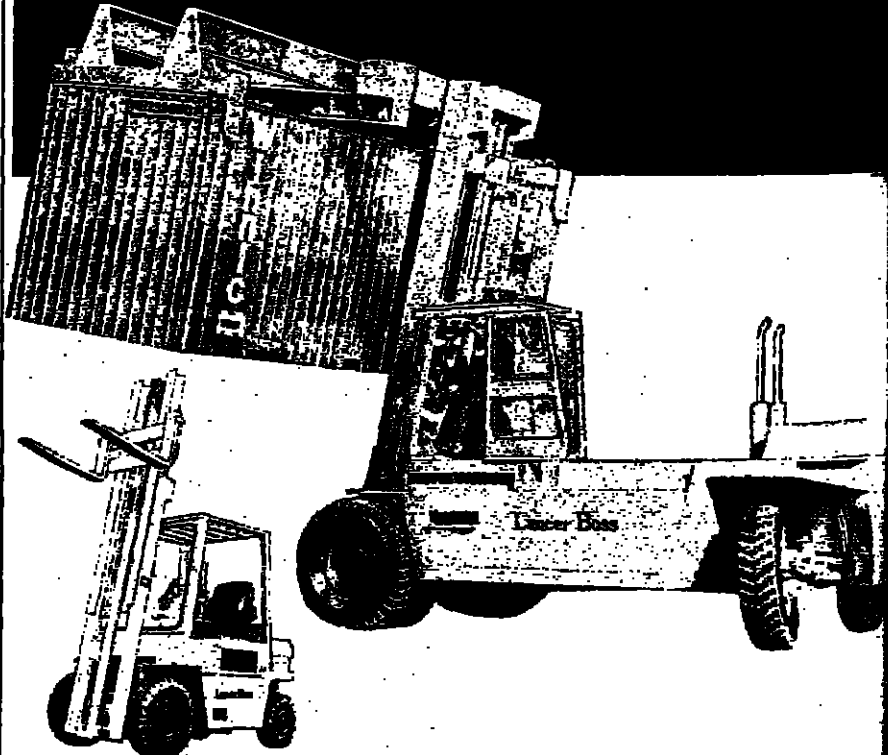
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New buildings to be dedicated

Educators prepare for school year

JEDDAH, Sept. 21 (SPA) — An educational meeting was held here Saturday to discuss the preparations for the academic year 1980-81 and draw up a program for educational instructors.

At the meeting, held under Western Region Education Director Dr. Abdullah Al-Dabbas, educational problems were discussed in



Dr. Abdul Aziz Al-Khawalter

addition to new procedures aimed at improving the educational standard. The meeting also reviewed the preparations of the new schools that will open during the next academic year in various parts of the region.

The Directorate of Education in the Western Region has built about 20 schools in all educational levels. They include four primary and secondary schools in Jeddah; four primary, intermediate and secondary schools in Mecca; and five primary, intermediate and secondary schools in other areas.

In the meantime, the Eastern Province Education Directorate General is making preparations for the opening of the new schools built in various parts of that province.

Eastern Province Education Director

General Dr. Said Atiyya Abu Aaly said more than 18 new schools in all levels were completed this year. The directorate general is working to finalize the legal formalities for opening the schools and preparing them with necessary equipment to open during the next academic year.

The new schools include an intermediate and secondary in Umm Al-Hamam; two intermediate schools in Qadeih and Khafji; a Koran memorization school and two primary schools in Dammam; two primary schools in Qatif and a primary school each in Thaqba, Alkhobar, Syhat, Safwa, Jubail, Nijerah, Umm Ghour and Khafji.

In other educational developments, Imam Muhammad ibn Saud Islamic University's Faculty of Religion announced Saturday dates for personal interviews of students applying for higher studies. Students applying for higher studies in all departments of the faculty for the academic year 1980-81 will start on Sept. 23.

Interviews for teachers part-time wishing to join the faculty next year will begin Sept. 27, it was reported.

Meanwhile, the General Department for Technical Education announced Saturday the opening of registration in Buraidah's Model Agricultural and Technical Institute.

Conditions for application are: Saudi Arabian nationality, intermediate school certificate or equivalent, between 15 and 18 years of age and a good conduct certificate provided applicants pass the medical check-up and the personal interview.

Students will be granted SR675 monthly incentive, in addition to free housing, food and medical treatment. After graduation, the students will be given a secondary agricultural diploma, and will be appointed in the fifth grade at the Ministry of Agriculture and Water, the Agricultural Bank, Buraidah Model Agricultural and Technical Institute or any other agricultural institutions.

Regular schooling

In addition, regular schooling for the academic year 1980-81 will start formally Tuesday in all parts of the Kingdom. All education directorates in the country have completed their preparations to commence study, it was reported.

The Ministry of Education has provided all necessary facilities early so that the beginning of study would be regulated at the fixed date. The ministry has built many schools this year, and informed education directorates to take necessary precautions to ensure that the new schools will open with the beginning of the academic year.

This year, 145 primary schools will open in various parts of the Kingdom making the total number of primary schools 3,783. An estimated 550,000 students will be seated in these schools. With the opening of 72 intermediate schools, the total reaches 857. There will be a total of 227 secondary schools in the Kingdom this year when the 35 new schools open.

The ministry also opened 15 classes for training teachers across the country. The courses are to be held in intermediate and secondary schools.

WEATHER

Moderate weather is expected to prevail in most areas.

Winds will be northerly to north-westerly and moderate. They may change into southerly and light in the central region.

Low clouds will hang over the western and south-western highlands.

Seas will be moderate to medium. Sunday's temperatures (maximum, minimum in centigrade)

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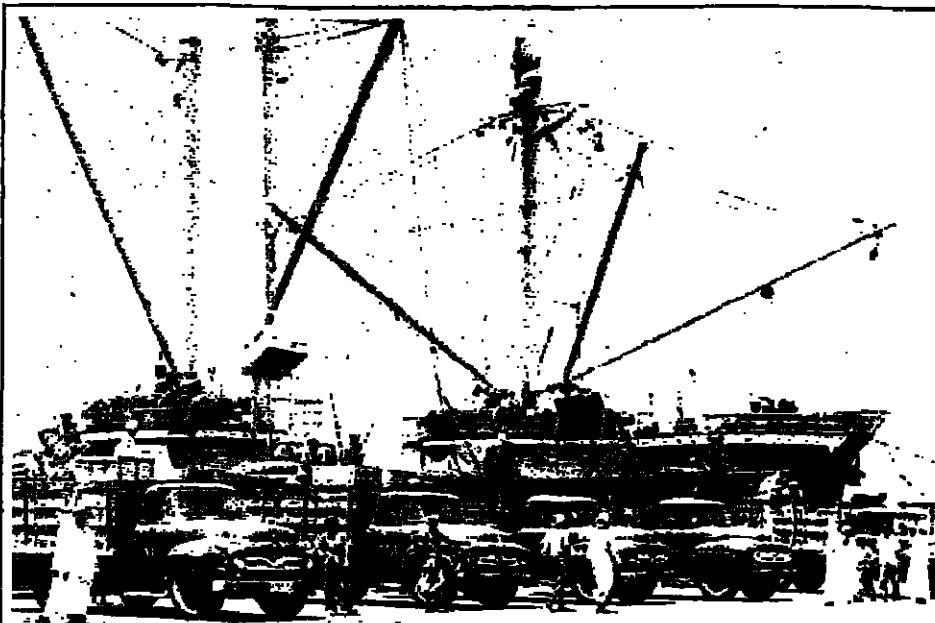
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IMPORTS: Making full use of the market activity in the Kingdom, Pakistani exporters have added to the boost in that country's exports to the Kingdom. Main Pakistani exports include foodstuffs.

Crosses SR400m mark

Pakistan exports see boost

JEDDAH, Sept. 21 — Pakistan's exports to the Kingdom saw a big boost in the last fiscal year ending June 30, 1980, crossing the SR400 million mark for the first time in many years, Pakistan's embassy in Jeddah reported.

According to the latest figures available, the exports totalled more than SR425 million as against SR320 million in the previous year.

The Kingdom lately has emerged as an expanding market for Pakistani merchandise and there has been growing increase in its sales here. The exports comprise mainly cereals, fruits, textiles, cotton goods, leather products, rubber manufactures, tents, tarpulin, carpets, sports goods, handicrafts, medicines and pharmaceuticals.

Rice has been the major export item, accounting for the bulk of Pakistan's export trade to the Kingdom. But the total rice exports during the year accounted for SR200 million only, and the rest of the export earnings came from other items.

Although the traditional exports still contribute a major share to Pakistan's export trading with the Kingdom, some new additions showed a remarkable performance during the last fiscal year.

Among them is unimiled barley, which has made rapid strides in the Kingdom's market. Last year, it netted SR37 million for Pakistan in the Kingdom as against about 0.45 million in the previous year.

Barely is one of Pakistan's principal crops, grown on about 180,000 hectares of land throughout the country, yielding roughly 130,000 tons of grain a year.

Although new to the Kingdom's market, Pakistani fruits and vegetables have created here a considerable demand for them and their export, quite insignificant only a few years back, have now swollen tremendously. During the last fiscal year, Pakistan's exports on this account to the Kingdom shot up to SR15 million from barely SR1 million in the previous year.

Lately, Pakistan has been growing fruits and vegetables in sizeable exportable surplus. The fruit production particularly has increased tremendously and the country is exporting at least 13 different types of fresh and dry fruits to various countries. During the last fiscal year, it is estimated to have exported more than 60,000 tons of fruits to various markets abroad including the Kingdom and other Gulf states.

Another comparatively new addition, which has shown impressive performance in the Kingdom's market, are Pakistani cotton bags. Their exports spiraled by three times to SR16.3 million during the last fiscal year from SR5.7 in the previous year.

Among Pakistan's traditional exports, to the Kingdom, tents and canvas exports rose to SR66.4 million from SR41.8 million in the previous year. Towels exports increased five times to SR11.4 million from SR2.3 million in the previous year. Carpets and rugs exports almost doubled to SR12.6 million from SR6.5 million in the previous year. Sports goods exports went up to SR4.7 million from SR3 million in the previous year. Handicrafts exports further increased from SR7 million to 7.3 million.

Shipping firm to use Ro/Ros

Called nucleus of fleet

By Amr Hafiz

RIYADH, Sept. 21 — The SR500 million Saudi National Maritime Shipping Company, set up by royal decree in 1978 for the year round transport of supply goods and construction material, will start its operations with four Ro/Ro ships as the nucleus of its future fleet.

The founders of the company own 55 per cent of its shares, while the state owns 25 per cent and the rest has been floated for public subscription. Contacts have been initiated and a contract was subsequently signed with a Norwegian firm to undertake the necessary feasibility study about these Ro/Ro ships. The vessels will take three years to build according to the studies and designs of the Norwegian firm.

In the meantime, the company is negotiating with other shipping concerns for the creation of a new shipping line to link together Saudi, Gulf and American ports. The Saudi staff of the company will receive administrative and technical training so they may operate the new line. Two other lines are planned from Far East ports to the Kingdom and Europe to Saudi Arabia.

Demand for meat being high in the Kingdom's market, the company has set up a subsidiary with an initial capital of SR200 million called the Saudi Company for the Livestock Transport and Trading. The Saudi National Maritime Shipping Company owns 40 per cent of the new firm, while the rest belongs to 30 livestock merchants. The new company's contract will be signed in Riyadh next week.

Corniche project allotted SR57m

JEDDAH, Sept. 21 (SPA) — A sum of SR57 million has been allocated, according to the instructions of Crown Prince Fahd, to complete phase II of the Northern and Southern Corniche Project in Jeddah. The total cost is estimated at SR72 million.

Mayor Muhammad Said Farisi said Saturday that the project will stretch from Jeddah Port to Al-Koqaa area north of Obhor. It calls for the asphaltting of the Corniche and the establishment of several playgrounds and public parks. It is expected to be completed by the end of next year.

The Corniche area has been undergoing a face-lift since last year, upon the directives of Crown Prince Fahd.

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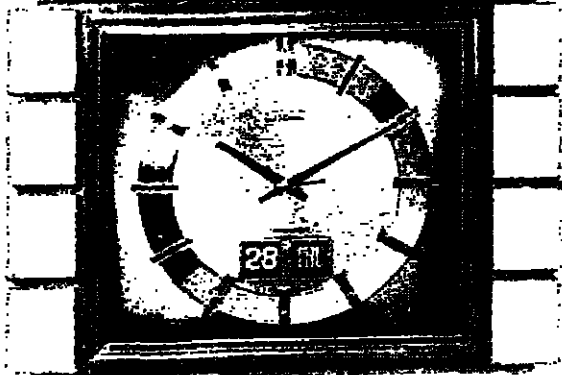
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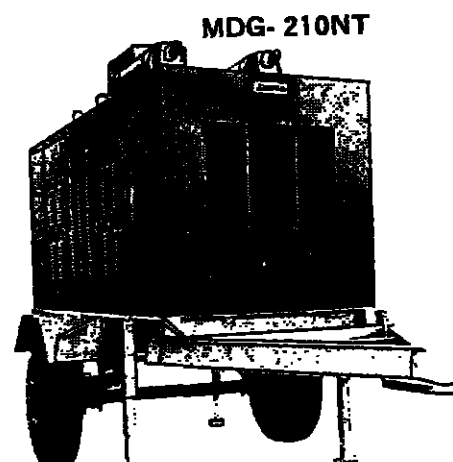


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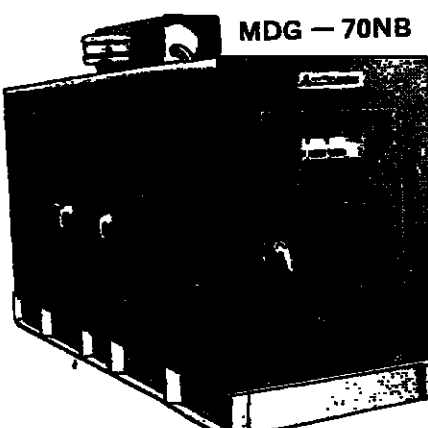
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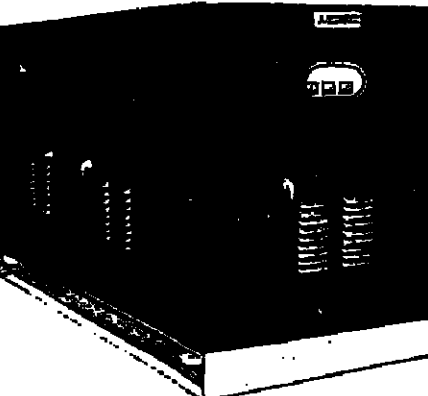
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Retired naval chief heads new government in Turkey

ANKARA, Sept. 21 (R) — Bulent Ulusu, the retired naval chief who was appointed prime minister by Turkey's ruling military junta Saturday night, Sunday faced the task of forming a cabinet to preside over the turbulent nation's affairs. Ulusu, 57, retired as commander of the navy in August and was a close colleague of the armed forces leaders who seized power in a bloodless coup nine days ago.

He is expected to work with them to reform the constitution and stamp out rampant violence between political extremists which was killing an average of 16 people a day. Diplomatic sources said Ulusu, an apparently unambitious man with a powerful sense of loyalty, would wholeheartedly support the junta's announced intention to maintain its allegiance to NATO.

The division of responsibility between the

Profile of Turkish premier

ANKARA, Sept. 2 (R) — A year ago Bulent Ulusu, the man named Saturday as Turkey's new prime minister, was looking forward to retiring at the age of 57 from the post of commander of the navy. It had been 38 years since the intensely loyal, unassuming admiral had graduated with distinction from the naval academy to work his way to the highest post in the service.

After a week of intense discussions in the military's ruling National Security Council, Ulusu was chosen to form a cabinet to work under the close surveillance of the ruling junta.

He is on close terms with the four generals and one admiral who make up the council and is expected to be able to work in close har-

mony with them.

Diplomats who know Ulusu say he is unlikely to have sought the job but would have accepted it with a profound sense of duty. He had kept very much in the background as chief of the navy, not having the thrusting, ambitious nature of the civilian politicians who held the premiership previously.

One Western diplomat said Ulusu has shown himself pro-NATO. The Turkish Armed Forces are an integral part of NATO's structure, and the new military leaders quickly assured their allies of continued close cooperation.

Ulusu, married with one child, had what was generally considered a brilliant career in the navy after graduating in 1942.

The effect of the military administration — which proclaimed martial law across Turkey — has already been felt with a marked drop in violence. The independent daily newspaper, *Milliyet*, reported 99 people were killed in the week before the coup while in the subsequent week just four died.

Diplomatic observers said Ulusu, chosen after a week of intensive discussions appeared to have no political ties. When the military took power in the bloodless coup they said politicians had failed to solve the country's urgent economic problems and end the disruptive violence because of bickering amongst themselves.

Ulusu was appointed ambassador to Rome after his retirement from the navy. A graduate from the Turkish Naval Academy in 1942 where he was the first of his class.

He served for two years in NATO's Malta headquarters, became a rear admiral in 1964, full admiral 10 years later and was made commander of the Turkish Navy in 1977.

Those who know Ulusu said he has no political ambitions and is considered a perfect choice to serve as a figurehead prime minister until a new constitution is written and the military returns the government to full civilian rule.

Meanwhile, Turkey's military government announced price increases of between 10 and 20 per cent on oil products, sugar and fertilizers Sunday in line with the economic policies followed by the civilian government it ousted.

The energy and natural resources ministry announced a five lira a litre (28 cent a gallon) price rise for most petroleum products bringing the price of standard petrol to 48 lira a litre (\$2.73 a gallon). Diesel and kerosene were both increased by five lira to 31 lira a litre (\$1.76 a gallon). Sugar and fertilizer sales were suspended pending the exact price rises expected to be announced in the next two days.

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SPRAY OF SHOTS: Car of district police Commander in Istanbul Aykan Gene showing windows broken by spray of shots which killed him last Wednesday.

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Egypt, Israel will resume autonomy talks this month

TEL AVIV, Sept. 21 (AP) — Israel and Egypt will resume the long-stalled Palestinian autonomy negotiations at a meeting in Washington Sept. 29, Israel television reported Saturday.

The report, from the state television network's correspondent in Washington, said Israel's autonomy negotiator Interior Minister Yosef Burg, would leave for the U.S. capital Sept. 27.

Egyptian President Anwar Sadat suspended the negotiations on the future of the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip at the end of July to protest Israel's passage of a law affirming Jerusalem status as the indivisible capital of the Jewish state.

The last previous round of talks was held in

May but produced no progress. Since then the United States has worked to restart the negotiations and won Egyptian and Israeli agreement only after President Carter acceded to Sadat's request for a summit meeting with Carter and Prime Minister Menachem Begin. The summit is to be held at an undetermined date after the U.S. presidential election.

The reported resumption of the autonomy talks apparently was worked out during Israel-Egypt contacts in Washington, where Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Egyptian Foreign Minister Kamal Hassan Aly met with secretary of state Edmund Muskie and Carter's middle east mediator, special Ambassador Sol Linowitz.

High toll of casualties

Morocco admits major clash with Polisario guerrillas

RABAT, Sept. 21 (AP) — Morocco confirmed Saturday its forces clashed Tuesday and Wednesday in a major battle with Polisario guerrillas on a deep penetration operation near its Atlantic coast. An official statement admitted the Moroccans lost 70 men killed, 30 missing and 60 wounded — one of the highest tolls ever admitted here for a single engagement.

It claimed the bodies of 250 of the Ethiopians bombarded Somali settlements

MOGADISHU, Sept. 21 (R) — Ethiopian forces bombarded border settlements inside Somalia with artillery and air strikes this week before being driven off by the Somali army, the Somali Defense Ministry announced. The ministry spokesman said Sunday the attacks were carried out near the southern town of Dolo Thursday and Friday. No casualties or damage were reported.

Somalia has reported frequent border skirmishes with Ethiopia along the edge of the disputed Ogaden desert this year. About 700,000 refugees from the Ogaden have crowded into sprawling camps on the Somali side of the border, many of them near Dolo.

The Somali force which fights Ethiopian rule in the Ogaden, the Western Somali Liberation Front (WSLF), said in its bulletin Sunday that 82 Ethiopian soldiers were killed when their vehicles were mined at Bare deep in the Ogaden, last week.

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TWA placed on boycott blacklist

DAMASCUS, Sept. 21 (R) — The American Trans World Airlines (TWA) has been placed on the Arab boycott blacklist and will be banned from flying in Arab airspace or landing at Arab airports, official sources said here Saturday night. The ban resolution was taken at the Arab boycott bureau meeting in Tunis last week.

The sources said that the ban was prompted by the failure of TWA to answer certain queries posed by the boycott office. TWA was acting under the newly-issued American boycott law which prevents American companies from responding to Arab boycott pressure. The ban resolution is binding on all 21 Arab League member-states but the time of execution differs from one country to another depending on the time needed to issue the necessary executive order in each country.

TWA is the second international airline to be placed on the Arab boycott list. Air France was boycotted in the early 1950's for violating Arab boycott regulations, but the ban was later lifted when it complied with them.

In Doha, the head of the Qatari branch of the boycott bureau said that the British children's clothing company Mothercare and the West German investment firm D.E.G. had also been placed on the blacklist at the Tunis meeting.



SHAMIR IN WASHINGTON: U.S. Secretary of State Edmund Muskie, right, talking with Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Israeli ambassador to the United States Ephraim Evron during a reception last week in Washington at the ambassador's residence.

BRIEFS

AMMAN, (AP) — Chinese Vice Premier Ji Peng Fei talked with Jordan's King Hussein at the royal palace Saturday, officials said. The two leaders discussed the present Middle East problems, the Palestinian issue and Arab rights, official sources announced Saturday night.

KUWAIT, (R) — The ruler of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber Ahmed al-Sabah, returned home Saturday after a tour of Pakistan, India, Bangladesh, Indonesia, Malaysia and Singapore.

MORONI, Comoros, (AFP) — Comoros President Ahmed Abdallah Abderrahmane left here Saturday for a two-day official visit to Kuwait, the first Arab country to recognize the sovereignty of this Indian Ocean Islamic Republic. Abdallah was accompanied by a large delegation including Foreign Minister Ali Moudjahid and Finance, Planning and Foreign Trade Minister Said Kafe.

AMMAN, (AP) — Saudi Arabia has donated to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian Refugees \$3.8 million, in addition to its usual yearly contribution of \$1.2 million, officials announced Saturday. This donation will be spent on the educational programs for refugees in Jordan

and Syria, the announcement said. PARIS, (AP) — Ahmad Madani, a former contender for the Iranian presidency, has secretly left the country for an unknown destination, according to reports in Iranian exile circles here. Sources said the reports had been circulating for the past two weeks.

JAKARTA, (AFP) — A plane carrying the ruler of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber Ahmed Al-Sabah, was damaged in what was described as a "dangerous" landing at Halim airport near Jakarta, the Indonesian newspaper *Harian Minggu* reported Saturday. The paper said the Boeing 707 of Kuwait Airways landed in a nose-up position, scraping its tail on the runway, when it brought the ruler on a three-day state visit to Indonesia Sept. 13. The Gulf state ruler escaped unhurt.

MANAMA, (AFP) — A permanent national commission to aid women and defend their rights has been formed in Bahrain, an official source said Saturday. The commission headed by the Social Affairs Director at the Labor Ministry, Fayza Zayan, comprises representatives of different women's organizations and women civil servants.

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Discovering batik

Sheets as an art form

By Kathy Land

DDAH. — Old white sheets are items of value in the Ackermann household on Jeddah's Finex compound. Indeed, any reasonable piece of white cotton with some life still left in it is put by Eileen Ackermann as a potential for a future work of art.

One of Mrs. Ackermann's many hobbies is work and the base for each piece is a h of white cotton fabric stretched over a lenframe. Old sheets are ideal for the use— as long as they can withstand the rous sketching, waxing and washing s that are involved in the business of ing the finished batik.

s. Ackermann first learned the art in ysis some years ago when her husband i, who works for a mineral exploration was based there. "I took lessons from an called Anthony Sun for about five hs, and enjoyed it very much," she said. e interest and enjoyment was rekindled ear when friends in Jeddah urged her to again and teach them in the process. The h has been weekly batik sessions which Ackermann emphasises are "just for but which her pupils find invaluable for ing up basic batik techniques.

ie method she follows involves an origi-vaxing out of areas that are to remain i, then washing over with a light-ated dye. The frame is then put in the sun vivate the dye. This is followed by a r waxing of areas that are to remain the of that particular wash, following this abric is washed with the next color... and e process continues until the final pat-and number of colors are achieved.

ally, the whole batik, or selected areas, axed over, then the fabric is screwed up

so that the wax cracks in numerous places. A strong color is washed over the cracks then the wax removed. This produces that final finish so typical of batik.

"True experts can use this final cracking to emphasise the design," said Mrs. Ackermann. She went on to stress that the method she followed was just one of many ways of doing batik work. "Styles and techniques vary from country to country and region to region in the Far East," she said. "Some schools for example use materials such as sawdust or newspaper to achieve special effects."

When batik day arrives newspapers are spread all over the kitchen floor of Mrs. Ackermann's home and a bowl of wax set to boil on a gas burner in the middle of the work area. The temperature of the wax is crucial to the whole process.

"If it is too hot it will run to much," said Mrs. Ackermann, "and if it is too cold it will not penetrate the cloth enough to protect it from the next color to be washed on."

"Various methods are used to apply the wax. I use brushes of varying degrees of fineness while in Indonesia, for example, a miniature 'Alladin's lamp' filled with hot wax, is used. The artist draws his pattern quickly, pouring the wax out of a fine spout while it is still hot."

The dyes used come in powder form in sealed tubes. Sodium sulphate and sodium chloride are included in the package. The dye powder is mixed with hot water and the sodium sulphate in a suitable container. Then the sodium chloride is added. The mixture is then stirred until all ingredients are dissolved. The shade of the color can be adjusted by adding more or less water to the dye.

When the dye has been washed onto the fabric it is exposed to direct sunlight for a few minutes to ensure fixation of the color. The



BATIK: Above, a sample end product from the batik process. Right, wax is melted in order to aid in the process of designing the sheets.

material must be totally dry before any other colors are added. After the batik is finished the material must be dried for 24 hours before it is boiled to remove the wax. Once the colors are mixed they must be stored in a cool dark place because of the dye's sensitivity to light.

Mrs. Ackermann described batik as an art that many women could enjoy in their spare time. It was not absolutely necessary to be a good draughtsman to produce a piece of batik that was agreeable to look at. "I find that many women do batik work as a way to decorate their homes," she said. "Being a born artist is not absolutely essential to the art form. Being careful about the techniques, such as meticulous and even application of the color wash, can be just as important."

Although over the years Mrs. Ackermann has produced many batik works, they rarely reach the walls of her home. Quite often, as soon as a piece is finished, it is in demand as a gift or as a decoration for one of the compound buildings.



Some busdrivers succeed above and beyond call of duty

OME (LAT) — Memmo Passerini ed the bus to a crawl and gently eased the piazza before swinging sharply to the e, avoiding an illegally parked car by two es and squeezing into the traffic lane with feet to spare.

ome's streets were made for chariots, not s. Three pedestrians strolled casually the bus' path and Passerini braked, ker than he liked.

It is very dangerous for the passengers," aid, looking anxiously in the rear-view or. The people in the 18 seats were ed, and one of the 80 who were standing, ging desperately to overhead bars, had n.

asserini was driving Route 26, one of the most difficult in the city, a zig-zag course goes past the Pantheon through streets are in fact alleys, with 90-degree turns streets that are barely 20 feet wide. The s a couple of inches under 40 feet long 10 feet wide.

iving one is a bit like trying to fit a dump into a one-car garage. The 13,000 bus rs of Rome may be the best in the world, thers perform such feats as a matter of ne. And they may be the most patient as

ut not always," a supervisor said know-. It is not the rigors of driving that ers most of the drivers. It is the people— rival motorists.

assengers are always in a hurry to get on never to get off," Passerini muttered, hing in the rear-view mirror as three passers made a leisurely descent of the steep

center exit steps.

A day does not pass without the route being blocked by a private car left in the path of the bus by someone running an errand. If the car is small enough, the driver will recruit passersby and together they will lift it out of the way.

A particular peril is terrorism. "In the last three years, 85 buses have been damaged in these attacks," Luigi Martini, president of the city agency that runs the buses, said. "Twenty per cent of them were damaged beyond repair."



DEATHTRAP: Mammoth traffic problems in Rome hamper transit of all vehicles, but still busdrivers have to deal with the hazards and maintain their determination.

Another peril is Christmastime, especially when winter rains add to the holiday confusion. That is when Rome traffic can stall for hours on end, a paralysis that tries the nerves of all drivers.

But for all the problems, buses in Rome are a success story, one of the most remarkable in the world of public transportation. Despite the extension of Rome's subway system in February, most Romans are still dependent on buses, and the growth of business is phenomenal. In 1962 there were 1.2 million passengers a day. Now there are 3.5 million a

day.

"We have 2,600 buses, with 2,300 of them in service at any one time," Martini said. "That is one bus for every 1,200 inhabitants. We would like to get the ratio to 1 per 1,000."

All the patrons squeeze and wriggle their way toward the center exit doors, hoping to get there by the time the bus reaches their stop. Sometimes they have to go a stop or two beyond before they can reach the door.

It is fertile ground for Rome's expert pickpockets. "Hey, lady, that man has his hand in your purse." The warning is heard frequently, but usually the crime is unobserved.

Despite the horrors of the situation, the bus agency has no problem recruiting drivers. The only requirements for application are a commercial driver's license and being under 30 years of age. The qualifying examination is written, followed by an oral examination and a test of reflexes.

There is no way to test for patience, according to executives. "At the age of 30, life is still smiling," Martini said. "The nervousness comes later, but we do everything we can to keep the drivers calm. Most stay on the job till retirement at 60."

Nothing has helped more than the creation of special traffic lanes that are preserved for buses and taxis. Even Roman drivers, celebrated for the ingenuity of their driving and the flexibility with which they interpret the vehicle code, rarely sneak into the reserved lanes. That, too, has reduced accidents, Martini said.

Training of drivers is strictly on-the-job. They are accompanied by an experienced driver for their first six days and given easy routes for the next two weeks. Then they are on their own.

In moderate use
Sugar considered beneficial

By Sheikh Meher Hussein

KARACHI — Sugar is not a medicine. It is not a question of trying to decide whether or not it is good for the health, but rather of saying that its use has revealed that it is an indispensable item in the present day feeding for human being, and therefore for human life, if it is taken in reasonable quantities and in a well balanced diet.

Sugar industries were established and developed long before any other agricultural and food transformation industries. It can be claimed that this advance was due to the fortunate coincidence of two factors:

1). The ability of certain categories of plant to "elaborate and store" sucrose in the tissues of their stalks or roots, with an unequalled "calories to the hectare" yield. 2). Sugar's capacity for "crystallization," which greatly facilitates all human operations of extraction, purification, transport, storage, distribution, etc.

"... Sugar cannot be said to be a medicine, but its use has revealed that it is indispensable in present-day feeding for the human race, and therefore for human life, if taken in reasonable quantities and in a well-balanced diet."

These two main factors, namely "botanical richness" and "technical facility" hastened and simplified immensely the birth of sugar; then a third factor joined in "the universal greediness." As sweet flavours are appreciated by all, this latter factor immediately opened the way to an immense market, which was so extensive that its limits were not fully appreciated until one and a half centuries later.

BENEFICIAL EFFECTS OF SUGAR

Other virtues, such as its food value and its storing capacity, added to the exceptional qualities of this great commodity, which is in fact, one of the first products to be "ready to eat" in the state in which it is delivered by the factory. No other basic food, in the recent history of mankind has known such rapid and spectacular evolution, resulting in such an important place in the nutrition of our species.

Once upon a time sugar used to be a very costly "spice," and was considered to be a great luxury out of reach of the ordinary people. But with a flavour which was enjoyed by all, it attained the position it occupies today with surprising rapidity.

Sugar, which is a natural product, and a great basic food in the same category as starches, fats and proteins is a privileged provider of energy for all the cells of our organism.

The exceptional rapidity with which it is absorbed makes it particularly beneficial if energy is suddenly required. This is often the case where muscular effort is involved, because it is necessary, according to Pierre Mural, "to distinguish the basic output of calories (basal Metabolism) relating to the simple maintaining of life (respiration, circulation, muscle tone), from the output of energy for muscular work and that which is necessary to maintain temperature (thermogenesis)."

Basic calorie output varies between 750 calories for a three-year old child, 1,630 for a man of 25, 1,300 approximately for an adolescent of 13 or a woman of 55. But this man of 25, who needs 1,630 calories in a state of complete rest will expend 7,000 calories during the day if he is an athlete in training.

We must be wary of general laws that are established too rapidly. We also must not forget that for a given type of work, the calorie expenditure for one individual can be double that of another individual.

In the balanced provision of 2,000 calories for the old man, as in the provision of 5,000 for the manual laborer sugar has its place, that is, a third quarter of the carbohydrate ration.

If it is absorbed in time, sugar not only permits the body to face intense muscular effort, but also to fight efficiently against sudden attacks of fatigue, accidents at work or disruption of the circulation. It is a choice food for the nervous system; in a very short space of time, it revives sensory acuity, "presence of mind" and attention.

Once again, sugar cannot be said to be a medicine, but its use has revealed that it is indispensable in present day feeding for the human race, and therefore for human life, if taken in reasonable quantities and in a well-balanced diet.

Sugar is often attacked in bad faith or because of information drawn from insufficient research and must not be considered by any one as the werewolf or even less as the

scapegoat. Doubtlessly, sugar will remain the symbol of force and energy and also of sweetness. Can we think of family parties or happiness without sugar?

Despite several uses of sugar as explained above, there are demerits too in the use of sugar, according to some researchers. Let us find out what were the reproaches made against sugar in the past, on the count of human health.

First, it was held to be harmful for diabetics (but that only concerned about two per cent of the population). Second, it played a role in the process of obesity. Third, it was the main factory in causing dental decay.

These grievances have not been abandoned — very much the opposite and from many other has come the accusation that sugar is responsible for the major part of cardio-vascular illnesses; that is, the greatest cause of death alongside cancer and road accidents.

SUGAR DIABETES

Previously, people used to say that a high concentration of carbohydrates, especially sugar, led to "sugar diabetes." However, although an increase in the number of cases of diabetes has been recorded among population with a high intake of sugar, no relationship between the cause and the effect has been proved. Other factors for diabetes are generally recognized, such as an increase in the overall food ration, the quantity of fat consumed, and lack of exercise, etc.

OBESITY

People are advised to cut down their intake of starch and sugar, especially sugar. In fact, it would seem more effective to advise a reduction in the consumption of fats. Weight for weight, fat has a calorie content which is double that of carbohydrates. It does not seem that sugar can have a particular "metabolic" responsibility when it is absorbed in normal quantities.

SUGAR AND DENTAL DECAY

For many years the sugar industry in several countries has helped in the research into this domain. As sugar has been implicated in the aetiology of this condition. However, research shows that the total quantity of sugar consumed can be less important in the formation of cavities than frequency and the form of this consumption.

It is therefore, possible that, if people were to adopt better feeding habits, the quantity and intensity of cavities could be reduced.

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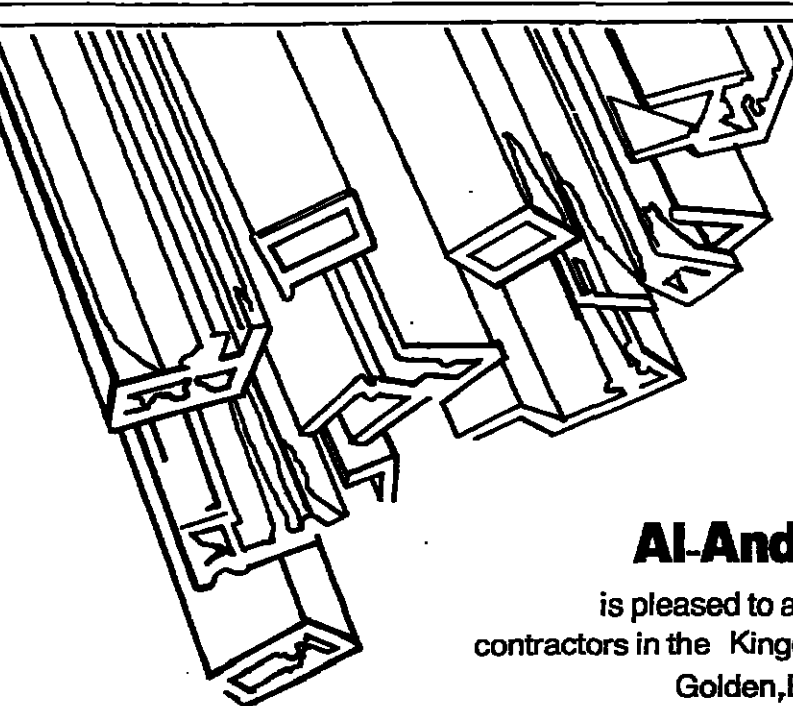
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Flood waters rise

Giant Indian dam near bursting

NEW DELHI, Sept. 21 (AFP) — An entire Indian state of 25 million people is on the verge of disaster following flooding which threatens to burst the world's longest river dam and which has already killed an unofficially estimated 1,000 people, Indian newspapers reported Sunday.

The state of Orissa, on the Gulf of Bengal, was blacked out Saturday night when high tension cables serving the power station at the giant Hirakud Dam broke. Experts said power could not be restored for three days at

least, and Orissa has asked its northern neighbor Bihar to supply electricity.

The state's head of government, J. B. Patnaik, was reportedly nearly lynched Saturday by angry residents of the town of Gunupur demanding food when he made a helicopter visit to the town isolated by the flooding.

The whole population of the coastal city of Puri, one of the seven holy places of Hinduism, and the surrounding Mahanadi Delta region, has been advised to evacuate by government services. More than 3,000 people in

the western part of the state have already been moved to higher ground.

Special correspondents of the major Indian newspapers agreed that the death toll in Orissa, officially estimated at 200, was at least five times higher.

Road and rail links to scores of towns, each with more than 10,000 inhabitants, have been cut by the rising waters of the Mahanadi River, which runs through the center of the state. The newspaper *Patriot* said that at Gunupur only 70 of the 3,000 houses in the town were left standing and Patnaik said on his return that the community was like "an island lost in a vast ocean."

Food supplies and medicine were being dropped by helicopters and transport planes to affected areas, some of which have been isolated for five days.

The Hirakud Dam, completed in 1956, is nearly 25 kilometers long. It straddles the Mahanadi near Sambalpur on the western edge of the state and holds back one of India's largest reservoirs. The flooding has also affected the central Indian state of Andhra Pradesh, where at least 150,000 people are homeless and there was widespread crop damage, and Uttar Pradesh in the north, where more than 1,300 people have already died this year and more flooding threatens.

Malaria parasite threatens India; immune to drugs

NEW DELHI, Sept. 21 (AFP) — A killer malaria parasite which does not respond to chloroquine, the standard anti-malarial drug, has moved ominously westward from Thailand into India where it is threatening states with a total population of about 30 million, medical experts warned here Sunday.

The parasite produces the worst form of malaria, attacking the brain and nervous system and causing coma, convulsion, paralysis and often death, the experts said. It first appeared in Thailand-Kampuchean border regions in the early 1960's.

The attack is widespread in the northeastern Indian states of Assam, Meghalaya, Arunachal Pradesh and Mizoram, and a massive program aided by the World Health Organization and the Swedish government to contain the parasite in the northeast has failed to arrest its spread to other states, medical experts said.

During the last three years, the parasite has spread to the eastern states of Bihar, West Bengal, Orissa, southern state of Andhra Pradesh and Western states of Maharashtra and the central state of Madhya Pradesh, the experts said.

Meanwhile, the entire country of South Korea continues under quarantine after several cases of cholera were discovered in the southeastern provinces. Eight persons have died of the disease, and at least 30 have been hospitalized.

Invention a fraud

Peking lambastes boiler man

PEKING, Sept. 21 (AP) — A vice minister of the chemical industry has been denounced for fraud in connection with a highly-touted industrial boiler said now to be fit only for steaming rice or preparing swill for farm animals.

Minister Li Guocai, 48, was attacked in Communist China's leading newspapers, the *People's Daily* and the *Workers Daily* for failing to admit that the "Guocai-type" boiler named after him was a flop. The newspapers

reported that the fraud of the poor and inefficient boiler had been covered up for seven years.

The boiler was designed and built in 1972 by Li Guocai's work group but was criticized at the time, the press reported. However, Li, then a film city official, boasted that "the world has never seen the likes of this boiler."

Li became vice minister of petroleum and chemical industries and despite criticism the ministry conducted 33 training courses to popularize the machine. He dismissed his critics as "bourgeois authorities," the newspapers said.

Investigators reported in 1978 that the boiler's heat efficiency was 14 per cent lower than the national minimum for industrial boilers. Its construction of steel plates was three times the national average.

The city of Jilin installed 66 Guocai boilers, but 29 had to be dismantled, 15 were used to boil water and the remaining 22 were used to steam rice or prepare swill.

Last year the state economic commission and state labor bureau wanted to solve the boiler problem, "but some leaders of the ministry obstructed the project," the papers said.

The newspapers also reported that Li Guocai lived extravagantly and dishonestly. He received a monthly subsidy of \$45 from the boiler company in Jilin. He continued to receive all subsidies and bonuses due him as a worker, although he no longer was employed.

His group was awarded a television set last year but it was taken to Li's home instead, the newspapers charged. Further more last year he received \$525 as reimbursement for dinners given at home.

The Chinese government has in recent months been candid about the failings of officials, and criticisms have appeared frequently in the press.

Katherine Porter dies

BALTIMORE, Sept. 21 (AP) — Pulitzer prize-winning writer Katherine Anne Porter died in a Maryland nursing home last week, her nephew has announced. She was 90.

Miss Porter wrote *Ship of Fools* and won the Pulitzer in 1966 for a collection of her stories. She was fond of telling interviewers that she wrote her best when riding fast-moving railroad trains.



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DEATH CAR: Curious Paraguayans look at the car Anastasio Somoza, left, was riding in when he was killed by bazooka and machinegun fire. Brazilian police now say the Nicaraguan dictator's death may have been an underworld revenge killing.

Underworld links suspected

Somoza trafficked in arms, police say

RIO DE JANEIRO, Sept. 21 (AFP) — Brazilian federal police suspect that Anastasio Somoza, the ousted Nicaraguan dictator who was assassinated Wednesday in Asuncion, was trafficking in arms on a large scale, newspapers reported here.

Early this month, according to the press accounts, a convoy of four trucks was intercepted by Brazilian agents near Bela Vista in the state of Mato Grosso, about 2,500 kms west of Rio de Janeiro. One of the trucks crashed into a ditch during an exchange of gunfire but the three others managed to escape. The agents, who had expected to find contraband coffee, discovered that the truck was loaded with arms.

The daily newspaper *O Globo* said that an investigation following the incident indicated that the shipment was part of a major arms traffic directed by Somoza, who was living in

exile in neighboring Paraguay.

The newspaper also said that Paraguayan opposition sources doubted the official version of the killing on Argentine Hugo Alfredo Yruzun, whom Asuncion authorities accused of being one of the leaders of the attack in which Somoza died.

O Globo said that the sources could find no witnesses of the alleged shootout in which, according to official reports, Yruzun was killed. One hour after the alleged shootout, Yruzun's body was displayed to the press.

The opposition sources said that the incident had all the appearances of being staged, the newspaper reported. *O Globo* also said that there were indications that, in addition to arms, Somoza might have been involved in cocaine trafficking. The newspaper, citing Paraguayan opposition sources, said that

Somoza's death might not have been a political assassination but an underworld settling of accounts.

In Miami, Florida, funeral services, attended by several hundred Nicaraguan and Cuban exiles, were held Saturday for Somoza at an undertaker's building. He was to be buried at a Miami cemetery.

Burial in the United States was authorized by Washington at the request of the former dictator's wife, Hope Somoza, who is an American citizen. Services were originally scheduled in a Miami Roman Catholic church. The plans were changed, allegedly because the church was too small to accommodate the large crowd. Among the mourners at the funeral was Tanner Shelton, U.S. ambassador to Nicaragua during the administration of former President Richard Nixon.

Insurance companies team up against ship scuttlers

SINGAPORE, Sept. 21 (AP) — Police investigators here are digging into four "rust-bucket swindles," the deliberate sinking of older ships to collect insurance. Preliminary work on one case is nearly complete, a spokesman for the commercial crime division confirmed.

He declined to give details, but it is understood to involve about \$9.5 million marine insurance claim for a freighter and its cargo, although no cargo was on board when the ship was lost in Asian waters. Other suspicious losses at sea are being probed by authorities in Indonesia, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Thailand and elsewhere at the behest of marine underwriters worried about massive fraud.

Dozens of mystery sinkings in recent years caused the marine insurance industry to finance the four-member Far East Regional Investigation Team (FERIT). The confidential report they filed last year shocked insurance executives who previously scoffed at rumors that well-organized gangs of ship-scuttlers were arranging sinkings in the Far East.

From shipping sources and the FERIT report, this picture emerged: — Old freighters — or "rustbuckets" — of less than 3,000 gross registered tons are most susceptible.

— Many have had frequent name changes in a relatively short period of time and most

were registered in Panama.

— They sank while the weather was good and in deep water which ruled out easy salvage or inspection.

— There was no loss of life or injury to the crew, some of whom were involved in more than one of the suspicious sinkings.

— Part of all of the high-value cargo turns up later at other than its original destination after insurance claims have been paid. The original cargo was replaced with low-value freight or the holds were left empty.

Cases under investigation in Singapore are believed to involve cargo insurance on ships that went down empty.

FERIT checked more than 60 sinkings from 1959 to June 1979. Of 28 ships that went down in the last two years on this period, it said 16 were deliberately scuttled. FERIT said the vessels were small and usually more than 15 years old, and carried goods such as electronic equipment, tin, rubber, textiles, appliances or frozen fish.

Five or more syndicates of shipping brokers or owners planned the 16 sinkings, FERIT said, defrauding insurers for more than \$100 million.

FERIT was not assigned to explore the reportedly close connection between ship sinking syndicates and the traffic in Vietnamese refugees. The 800-ton *Southern Cross* ran aground in Indonesia in late September 1978 with 1,240 Vietnamese aboard. She was the

first of at least five weary old rustbuckets used to transport refugees in large numbers before Hanoi stopped sanctioning the exodus.

"The same kind of ships and some of the same crewmen were involved in hauling refugees and the sinking-for-profit," said an Australian shipping executive who asked not to be named.

He said the nature of the shipping business in Asia accounted for the number of swindlers. There is plenty of surplus small tonnage. Documents can be switched easily as forgeries are not uncommon.

Companies can move quickly from one country to another, he said. Shipowners are able to hide behind flags of convenience. Until FERIT, insurance investigators rarely swapped information.

Until the pattern of sinkings was established, insurance brokers usually paid claims rather than start a costly investigation that might reduce the claim, but also might threaten future business with the claimant. Legal disputes were usually settled out of court.

Jurisdictional problems can complicate marine fraud cases. For example, Taiwanese shipowners whose vessels were registered in Panama might deal with shippers in Indonesia, agents in Singapore and crewmen from Hong Kong.



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Bangkok: 'village' of 5 million people

BANGKOK, Sept. 21 (WP) — On Ploenchit Road, the main artery of this fast-growing city, eight lanes of smoke-belching cars, sedans with tinted windows sealed shut, pickups converted to carry passengers and packs of motorbikes without mufflers pass throughout the day with unremitting momentum.

You haven't tasted the full flavor of Asian life until you have tried to cross the road, particularly during a rainy rush hour. Five minutes of waiting for a break is often enough to make you abandon caution and step into the torrent, dodging oncoming vehicles in a lane. Flashing headlights are the Thai motorists' way of saying, "if you think I'll slow down you're wrong."

Few cities in the world so graphically display the collision of modern technology with a essentially bucolic way of life. The past 20 years have transformed parts of Bangkok — a city now of 5 million people — into an environmental travesty as bewildering to locals as to foreign visitors.

One by one, the city's gracious wooden homes are falling victim to demolition teams. In their place rise rows of cheap, shabby shop-houses, multi-story car parks and elevated highways. Not surprisingly, cement frequently runs short.

Transport in Bangkok once moved along an extensive network of canals, which also served to drain off monsoon rains. This was an important function in a city that is only a few feet above sea level. Now most have been filled in to make room for more cars, and 90 per cent of all Thai motor vehicles are registered in Bangkok.

On the city's periphery, American-style housing developments are being built on former rice fields for the rich and aspiring middle class. The poor, meanwhile, inhabit stilted houses built of packing crates on the marshy ground.

Borrowing from the West has reached the point that many Thais believe foreign things are inherently better, whether they be machines, styles of clothing or even words. Thai clothes are worn on Bangkok streets mainly by those who cannot afford Western ones. Countless English words — many having to do with wealth and status — have entered the Thai language: slum, gang (as in gang of thieves), playboy, down (as in only 20 per cent down) and townhouse, to name a few.

All of this may create the impression that local ways have collapsed under the deluge. Happily, such is not the case. In some respects, Bangkok might simply be called the biggest of Thailand's 50,000 villages. This country feeling in the city makes it a vibrant, intensely liveable place despite it all.

From atop any tall building, you can see that enormous volumes of tropical foliage

coexist with the fumes and concrete. Thais hate apartments and whenever possible buy their homes and raise a few banana trees or orchids in closely guarded backyards.

Chinese merchants who favor the antiseptic townhouses festoon the roofs with potted plants.

Just a few steps back from the main avenues, there survive pockets of almost rustic tranquility. Behind Prachathipok Road, for instance, is a delightful working-class neighborhood of wooden houses, banana groves and an occasional lily pond.

Like village folks, Bangkok's people talk to one another, strangers or not. Foreigners riding the city's buses find themselves constantly falling into conversations with their seatmates. Taxi drivers gab with people in the next car at traffic lights.

People eat fresh food. Early every morning, trucks roll in from surrounding provinces loaded with vegetables and fruit, many of them varieties unknown in the West. You are never far from good restaurants. Roadside stalls serve the sticky rice and dried beef favored by people in the country's northeastern provinces. Residential lanes are plied by vendors who sell noodle soup from stoves mounted on trishaws.

Village religious beliefs hold strong in the city, too. No luxury hotel is built without a spirit house in front to shelter any supernatural entity that construction might have displaced. No major decision is made without consulting an astrologer.

At sunrise, along the already active streets, Buddhist monks can be seen doing their best to beg food with dignity as packed commuter buses shoot past with robe-fluttering velocity.

Bangkok people pursue amusement with the same energy found at a country fair. Men flock to the city's two boxing stadiums to cheer the frenzied matches. Horse racing and soccer fill stadiums to the brim.

Movies do well only if there is plenty of action. Chinese adventure films filled with sword fighting and Kung Fu and American war productions such as *Apocalypse Now* are big favorites.

Mass-circulation newspapers offer much the same. With front pages that are mostly banner headlines and photographs, they lure readers with such stories as a freak 60-pound baby discovered in a remote village, or impending Vietnamese invasion of Thailand.

Like New York, Bangkok inspires both love and resentment in people who make it home. "Bangkok is terrible," says a Thai doctor. "You have to push to get on the buses, push to get space on the sidewalks," adds a bookstore clerk.

But still people keep coming. Its population has grown from 3 million to almost 5 million in the past 10 years through migration from poor up-country villages and births.



PARASKIING: Philippe-Bernard of Neuenburg, Switzerland, skims the waters of Lake Neuenburg on water skis with the help of a parachute. It's a sport called paraskiing, fast gaining popularity in Europe.

Caracas experiment

They're breaking into El Junquito prison

CARACAS, Sept. 21 (AP) — Nobody has broken out of El Junquito, Latin America's first low-security prison, but people are breaking in. Lately, they have even been invited in.

The compound, which houses 400 inmates, is surrounded by brick box-houses and wooden shacks that characterize the hillside slums of Caracas. Lately some "hill people" have broken in to steal eggs from the prison coop and tools from the workshops.

Children sometimes sneak over to play in the prison grounds. "Most of the inmates come from there," said Warden Luis Augusto Sayago, waving an arm toward the surrounding hillside. "They can't get away from it."

El Junquito is a low-security experimental

prison that selects its inmates on the basis of personality test, not crimes. It is the first of its kind in Latin America.

The inmates don't try to escape from the low-walled compound, according to a guard, partly out of fear of being transferred to a nearby prison known as "the other face of hell."

Prisoners can learn a trade and study through university level. "They come here sometimes not even knowing how to eat with a fork and knife," said Sayago, who tends to call his inmates "boarders."

The warden is organizing a program for neighborhood people to come to El Junquito to learn to read and write.

When Sayago took over El Junquito five

years ago, he tore down the solitary confinement cells and let prisoners who could get loans from outside start small businesses. Now there are rows of tiny shops that sell paintings, pottery and jewelry, and two large garages for fixing cars. Work is mandatory, as is the three-hour study period most evenings.

The prisoners also get a taste of culture, and recently they put on a play — *To Do Away with the Judgement of God* — at a downtown theater. On a stroll around the compound, Sayago encouraged Vicente, a 20-year-old murder suspect, to speak out against a system that has kept him waiting more than a year without a trial.

"The judges only work when they want to. It's a tyranny," Vicente said.

Oarsman halts trip off Brest

BREST, France Sept. 21 (AP) — Frenchman Gerard d'Abouville crossed the "finishing line" at the western tip of the French coast Saturday to become the first man to row single-handed across the Atlantic.

D'Abouville, 35, left Chatham, Massachusetts, on July 11, thus completing the crossing, rowing and drifting, in 72 days. He celebrated his 35th birthday Sept. 5 on board the 5.6 meter *Captain Cook*. He set the latitude of the Ile d'Ouessant (the island of Ushant), the westernmost tip of France, as his finishing line, crossing it under the escort of a French navy vessel about 1620 GMT Saturday, navy headquarters at Brest announced.

He had asked by radio to be taken in tow from the crossing point to Brest once he had crossed the line. D'Abouville, a maritime surveyor and delivery captain, made the crossing in an 5.60 meter unsinkable boat specially designed for the attempt.

An amateur radio operator had a brief conversation with D'Abouville earlier Saturday in which the rower said he was "very tired" and that he had agreed to being towed to Brest after crossing the line.

Earlier he had insisted he wanted to reach land unaided, but he had to battle rough seas and winds which drove him away from the French coast in the closing hours of his journey. But by the time he crossed the finishing line, the sea was calm and the winds had dropped, a navy spokesman said.

D'Abouville made only brief radio contacts during the day to give his position, saying the batteries of his solar-powered radio were low.

D'Abouville is estimated to have covered about 5,150 kms. in the crossing. He rowed mostly at night, to keep a look-out for ships, and let the *Captain Cook* drift while he slept during the day. D'Abouville, the second oldest of the nine children of retired Col. Count Henri d'Abouville, has previously hitchhiked around the world, in 1969.

Last year, he and five of his six brothers competed on small 250 C.C. motorcycles in a race from Paris to Dakar, Senegal, across the Sahara desert. His brother Hubert said Friday that experts said they would never make it "but we all got to Dakar."

Unearthed bones indicate Cretans ate human flesh

ATHENS, Sept. 21 (OFNS) — Excavations in the Bronze Age towns surrounding King Minos's palace at Knossos in Crete have turned up the macabre remains of a Minoan religious rite that may have included eating the flesh of young children. It is the first evidence of cannibalism to be unearthed by archaeologists working in the Aegean, according to Professor Peter Warren on Bristol University.

Warren, directing the dig for the British School at Athens, reached what he called "this extraordinary, even disagreeable conclusion" after scientists studied more than 200 human bones found in the basement ruins of a 15th BC Minoan town house at the end of last summer's excavation season.

About 20 of the bones showed fine knife-marks, like butchers' cuts. "They are exactly comparable to the type of marks found on animal bones prepared for food," Warren said. The cuts were carefully made at right-angles to the bone by a knife with a blade of bronze or perhaps obsidian, the black volcanic glass imported to ancient Crete.

The bones were discovered in a jumbled heap in one corner of a room gutted by a fierce fire, but they showed no traces of burning, suggesting they fell from an upper story. In another basement room the excavators found a collection of unusually fine pottery. Some vessels had pierced bases, indicating that they were used for pouring libations in a religious rite.

Among them were several fragmentary vessels painted with octopus and starfish in the exotic Minoan style that flourished at

Hitler works sold

MUNICH, Sept. 21 (AP) — An unidentified American museum bought four pictures by Adolf Hitler at an auction Saturday or prices ranging from \$4,800 to \$6,800 each, officials said.

The pictures included three watercolors and a pencil drawing by the Nazi dictator done during his youth in Vienna in 1908 and 1909. Officials would not divulge the exact price nor the identity of the buyer at the customers' request.

The four items were among several relics of the Nazi era sold Saturday. Letter signed by Hermann Goering and Erwin Rommel fetched \$1,400 each.

Knossos about 1,450 BC, shortly before the Cretan palaces were destroyed. These dated the deposit.

This season's excavations have produced a clear link between the finds in the two rooms. A pithos jar from the area which contained the pottery held edible small shells — a common item in the Minoan diet — and several more human bones, confirming that both fell from a first-floor religious cult area. "A vertebra from the pithos carried the tell-tale knife-mark," Warren said.

"Because of the warped skull fragments that wouldn't fit together properly, we thought at first we had the remains of almost a dozen children," said Sheilagh Wall, a British government scientist. "But it's now clear we have just two, one aged about eight and the other 11 or 12. Both apparently were in normal health at the time of death."

Initially Warren was tempted to think the unusual find was a case of secondary burial or the result of famine. But the sacred pottery led him to conjecture a ritual where a group of Minoans in a state of religious ecstasy ate human flesh to achieve communion with a god.

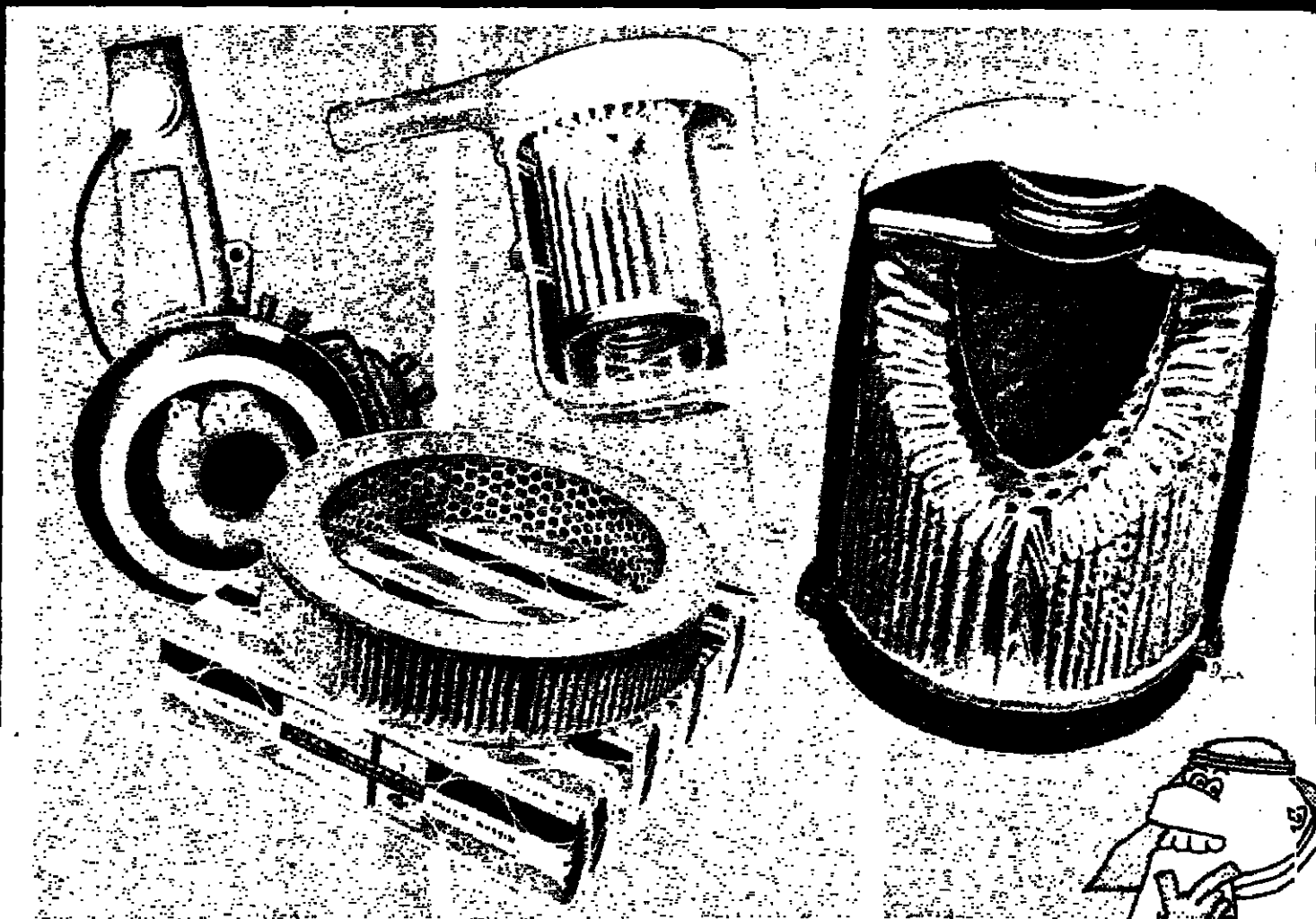
He thinks the sacramental meal may have been a forerunner of later Greek rites, like the worship of Zagreus, a Cretan god who was lured away as a child by the Titans, mythological giants, and eaten.

The building where the children's bones were found looks onto a paved road that joins an ancient high-way leading west from King Minos's palace. Further excavation may reveal whether it was a shrine on the outskirts of the Minoan town.

The site lies on a hillside several hundred yards west of the palace. It was opened up in preparation for building an extension to the Stratigraphical Museum, where finds from excavations in the Knossos area are kept in storage.

Warren's curious find came close on the heels of another excavation that seems to illustrate the darker side of Minoan life. In a shrine near the village of Arkhanes, a few miles south of Knossos, a Greek archaeologist, Dr. John Sakellarakis, unearthed three skeletons, one with a dagger through its ribs. He concluded a human sacrifice had taken place in the mid-seventeenth century BC, perhaps in an attempt to avert an earthquake.

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To reduce glut

Iran, Iraq cut oil output by 10%

LONDON, Sept. 21 (R) — Iran and Iraq have said that they are cutting their oil production by 10 per cent to reduce the glut of crude oil on world markets. The move followed a similar cut by the United Arab Emirates (UAE) three days ago.

Iranian Oil Minister Ali Akbar Moinefar told a press conference in Tehran Saturday

that the members of the OPEC — the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries — reached a gentlemen's agreement in Vienna this week to reduce output by 10 per cent from Oct. 1.

Such a reduction in OPEC's current output of 27 million barrels per day (bpd) would roughly bring supply and demand for oil into balance.

Moinefar said this would happen "maybe in two or three months, it will depend on the winter."

The Gulf News Agency (GNA) said Saturday that Iraqi Oil Minister Tayeb Abdul Karim announced on his return from Vienna Friday night that his country's output would be reduced by 360,000 bpd.

Iraq's current output averages about 3.5 million bpd.

The UAE Oil Minister Muna Said Al-Oteiba announced on Thursday a cut of 170,000 barrels from 1.7 million bpd at present.

Saudi Arabia, which raised its benchmark light crude oil price to \$30 a barrel from \$28 at the meeting, came under pressure at the conference to cut its production, but maintained that it alone had the right to decide its output.

Saudi Arabian oil Minister Ahmad Zaki Yamani said in Vienna that Saudi production would stay unchanged at 9.5 million bpd until the end of this year, and an OPEC communi-

que made no mention of output cuts.

However, the 10 per cent cut agreed on would bring Saudi production down to around the 8.5 million bpd mark widely urged before the OPEC meeting.

Total OPEC production before the cut was put at around 27 million bpd.

World oil demand has slackened in recent months due to economic recession in Western industrialized nations, while Saudi Arabia has kept its output high and OPEC prices have risen 150 per cent since 1978.

Moinefar said, in reply to a question, that the cuts would involve all OPEC states. He told Reuters Iran was currently producing about 1.8 million bpd, of which about 700,000 were exported along with 300,000 bpd equivalent of refined oil products.

He confirmed a previous report that Iranian oil revenues would be around \$13 billion in the Iranian year ending March 20, 1981 and said oil income in the first six months of the year was \$7 billion.

"For the time being, 13 billion dollars is quite enough for us," he said.

There had been no disruption of shipping on the vital Shatt Al-Arab river so far despite the escalation of border clashes with Iraq which last Wednesday abrogated a 1975 border agreement signed under the former Shah.

Iraq is claiming the whole of the river which flows between the two countries at the head of the Gulf. Previously, it was shared by Iran and Iraq.

Syria urges Arab control of oil operations

DAMASCUS, Sept. 21 (R) — Syria's Oil and Mineral Resources Minister Abdul-Jabbar Al-Dahhak has called for total Arab control of all aspects of oil operations.

Dr. Dahhak was speaking Saturday at the opening of a three-day seminar held by the Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC) on the better use of oil and its by-products.

He told Arab and foreign experts that "national sovereignty over Arab oil wealth cannot materialize unless all operations related to drilling, transportation and refining are under (Arab) control."

World Bank's annual report

Developing countries set for critical phase

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 (R) — The World Bank said Sunday the developing world faced a critical period of adjustment to new economic realities because of vastly more expensive energy and food and its officials feared more help to poorer nations.

The Bank said in its annual report that the world generally and developing countries specifically must adjust to a future in which increasing energy prices would have an impact on all aspects of commerce and agriculture.

Bank officials said world growth rates would be at a low level over the coming decade after the rapid expansion of the 1960's and warned that adjustments to the changing situation "must take place without mortgaging the future."

The report showed many countries have amassed record debts in an attempt to finance current account deficits caused by the upward spiral of energy and food costs.

The officials said the Bank intended to increase its so-called "structural loans" from the present annual level of \$800 million to at least one billion by 1982.

These loans are designed to help poorer countries continue to import goods such as machinery for factories while they the countries themselves invest more in developing self-sufficiency in energy and agriculture.

This kind of lending is new to the Bank, whose general policy has been to finance specific projects in an effort to improve conditions in areas it views as the most needy.

In the past, officials noted, many poorer

nations had been kept afloat by outside financing, inexpensive imported food or direct food aid from wealthy nations, and relatively cheap imported energy.

This era, they said, was clearly over, and countries must begin directing more effort into producing food and alternate energy sources, a process that could take the remainder of the decade.

The role of the Bank, however, had clearly been growing, the report showed. In the year ending last June 30, the Bank made lending commitments totaling \$7.6 billion to 48 developing countries.

The Bank made additional commitments of \$3.8 billion through the International Development Association (IDA), its affiliate which lends funds at no interest to the poorest of the developing countries.

The report said both amounts were records and together represented an increase of \$1.4 billion over its 1979 financial year.

With the effect of inflation removed, Bank and IDA loans during fiscal 1980 were up 6.7 per cent over the previous year.

For the sixth year in a row, agricultural and rural development projects received the most support.

Principal borrowers from the Bank during the past year were Brazil, Turkey, South Korea, Indonesia and Thailand, while India and Bangladesh were the main users of IDA credits.

Saudi Arabian Government Tenders

Authority	Description	No. of Tender	Price SR	Closing Date
Directorate General of Meteorology	Supply of equipment and machinery	—	1000	Oct. 26
Ministry of the Interior, Dept. of Civil Defense	Catering for civil defense officers during the Hajj	8	100	Oct. 5
" " "	Maintenance of civil defense buildings in Riyadh	9	100	Oct. 6
" " "	Maintenance of civil defense buildings in Jeddah	10	100	Oct. 7
" " "	Maintenance of civil defense buildings in Mecca	11	100	Nov. 2
" " "	Maintenance of telephone exchanges	12	100	Nov. 4
Municipality of Jeddah	Improvement and beautification of roads in Jeddah (second stage/third group)	35	10000	Oct. 5

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1. VESSELS DISCHARGING :	Cargo	Date
4 Baron Wemyss	Bamaodah	11.9.80
5 Barges Green Valley	Kanoo	13.9.80
7 Bobi	O.C.E.	18.9.80
8 Saudi Independence	O. Trade	13.9.80
9 Manistee	O.C.E.	13.9.80
11 Ngomei Chau	Alstas	13.9.80
16 Trado	Alstas	20.9.80
18 Medament Carrier	Rolaco	13.9.80
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22 Reefer Giulia	O.C.E.	13.9.80
27 Wild Grebe	O.C.E.	20.9.80
29' Hilco Sprinter	Star	12.9.80
30 Multi Frost	O.C.E.	16.9.80
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41 Vester	S.S.M.S.C.	16.9.80
42 Concordia Star	Alstas	20.9.80
Ro Ro Aetos	M.T.A.	20.9.80

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Ushirika	Orr	20.9.80
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NEW DRILLING BIT: Scientists and engineers are elated over the success of a new drilling bit. The bit, seen here being shown by Dr. S.G. Varnado, supervisor of the Drilling Technology Division at the Sandia Laboratories in New Mexico, is set with what are called polycrystalline diamonds. Field tests show marked performance improvements in drilling rates over conventional roller cone and natural diamond bits.

W. Berlin strikers disrupt rail traffic to W. Germany

BERLIN, Sept. 21 (AP) — West Berlin strikers occupying a signal house cut passenger rail traffic between West Berlin and West Germany proper late Saturday night in an attempt to pressure their East German employers into negotiations.

Authorities said police of the East German-run rail system clashed with the small group of strikers in an attempt to oust them from the signal installation at the central 200 station, but West Berlin police intervened and stopped the confrontation.

West Berlin police said the rail police had tried to break through the door of the signal house with axes. No one was reported injured, but further details of the clash were not immediately available.

The central strike committee, which was organized after the walkout began Wednesday, claims the allegations of more than half of the 3,700 West Berliners who work for the Reichsbahn. The strike was confined to the western sector, with East Germans working normally.

The strikers have occupied several rail

installations in West Berlin, but until Saturday had shut down only freight traffic and most of the intracity S-Bahn passenger trains. They demand higher wages, reinstatement of about 80 fired colleagues, better social benefits and representatives by a union other than their present Communist organization.

International passenger trains were being routed through East Berlin, but the East Berliners on Sunday morning were accepting no trains from West Germany, railroad sources said.

Three allied military trains arrived in West Berlin during the night on schedule.

Dozens of travellers were camping in the zoo station, the main passenger terminal in downtown West Berlin, and city authorities said they were scheduling extra buses so stranded persons could continue their journeys.

Britain, the United States and France, the allies responsible for administering the western sector, have been downplaying the labor dispute.

India, USSR to sign new trade pact

NEW DELHI, Sept. 21 (AFP) — The new five-year Indo-Soviet trade agreement, to be signed early next month, will provide for Soviet supplies of crude oil unlinked to Indian rice shipments, reports here said Sunday.

A Soviet delegation led by Foreign Trade Minister Nikolai Patolichev will arrive here on Oct. 3 for the talks due to end in the signing of the agreement, the reports said.

Quoting the chief of the Soviet Foreign Trade Ministry M.A. Kiselev, the *Economic Times* Sunday said that the new agreement envisaged doubling the volume of trade between India and the Soviet Union in the next five years.

Indo-Soviet trade in 1979 reached a record level of 1,000 million roubles, (about \$1,600 million) representing a 35 per cent increase over 1978.

The Soviet Union has traditionally supplied oil and kerosene to India, but the new agreement would specify the quantity for the first time, the paper said.

Earlier this year the two countries signed a separate agreement for the supply of 200,000 tons of crude and 500,000 tons of oil products in 1980 in exchange for 500,000 tons of rice from India.

Indo-Soviet trade, which has grown a hundred fold in the last 20 years, has diversified considerably, the paper said.

U.K. minister sees heavier taxes in 1981

LONDON, Sept. 21 (R) — A British government minister Sunday dampened expectations of an imminent cut in the country's near-record interest rates, and raised the prospect of heavier taxes for Britons next year.

Secretary of Trade John Nott, considered by political analysts to be one of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's closest cabinet colleagues, said in a television interview that British industry was suffering more from high pay settlements than interest payments on loans governed by the Bank of England's minimum lending rate (MLR) of 16 per cent.

Any change in MLR, he said on London weekend television's program of Weekend World, would depend "on how bank advances on the one hand and public borrowing on the other move over the next month or two."

Nott said the government would raise taxes in its annual budget next spring if public spending could not be cut sharply. In his first budget last year the Conservative government announced large reductions in personal taxes as part of its election pledge to increase work incentives.

"If it appears essential to raise taxes in next year's budget I'm sure the chancellor (of the exchequer) will do so," he said. "If we cannot get public spending as low as is necessary then of course we will have to resort to additional revenue raising."

Foreign Exchange Rates
Quoted at 5:00 P.M. Saturday

	SAMA	Cash	Transfer
Bahraini Dinar	—	—	8.00
Belgian Franc (1,000)	117.00	118.00	—
Canadian Dollar	2.87	—	—
Deutsche Mark (100)	187.00	186.50	185.60
Dutch Guilder (100)	172.00	172.00	170.40
Egyptian Pound	—	4.35	4.30
Emirates Dirham (100)	—	90.50	90.25
French Franc (100)	80.00	80.50	80.00
Greek Drachma (1,000)	—	80.00	—
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	43.10
Iranian Rial (100)	—	—	—
Iraqi Dinar	—	9.50	—
Italian Lira (10,000)	39.00	39.00	39.50
Japanese Yen (1,000)	15.30	—	15.75
Jordanian Dinar	—	—	—
Kuwaiti Dinar	—	—	12.46
Lebanese Lira (100)	—	97.40	97.00
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	88.50	85.50
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	—	33.75
Philippines Peso (100)	—	—	44.50
Pound Sterling	8.01	8.00	7.94
Qatari Riyal (100)	—	91.50	91.50
Singapore Dollar	—	—	1.58
Spanish Peso (1,000)	—	49.00	45.75
Swiss Franc (100)	204.00	203.00	202.45
Syrian Lira (100)	—	77.00	85.50
Turkish Lira (1,000)	—	44.00	—
U.S. Dollar	3.32	3.33	3.325
Yemeni Rial (100)	—	73.15	72.95
Gold kg.	—	73,400.00	—
10 Tola bar	—	8,630.00	—
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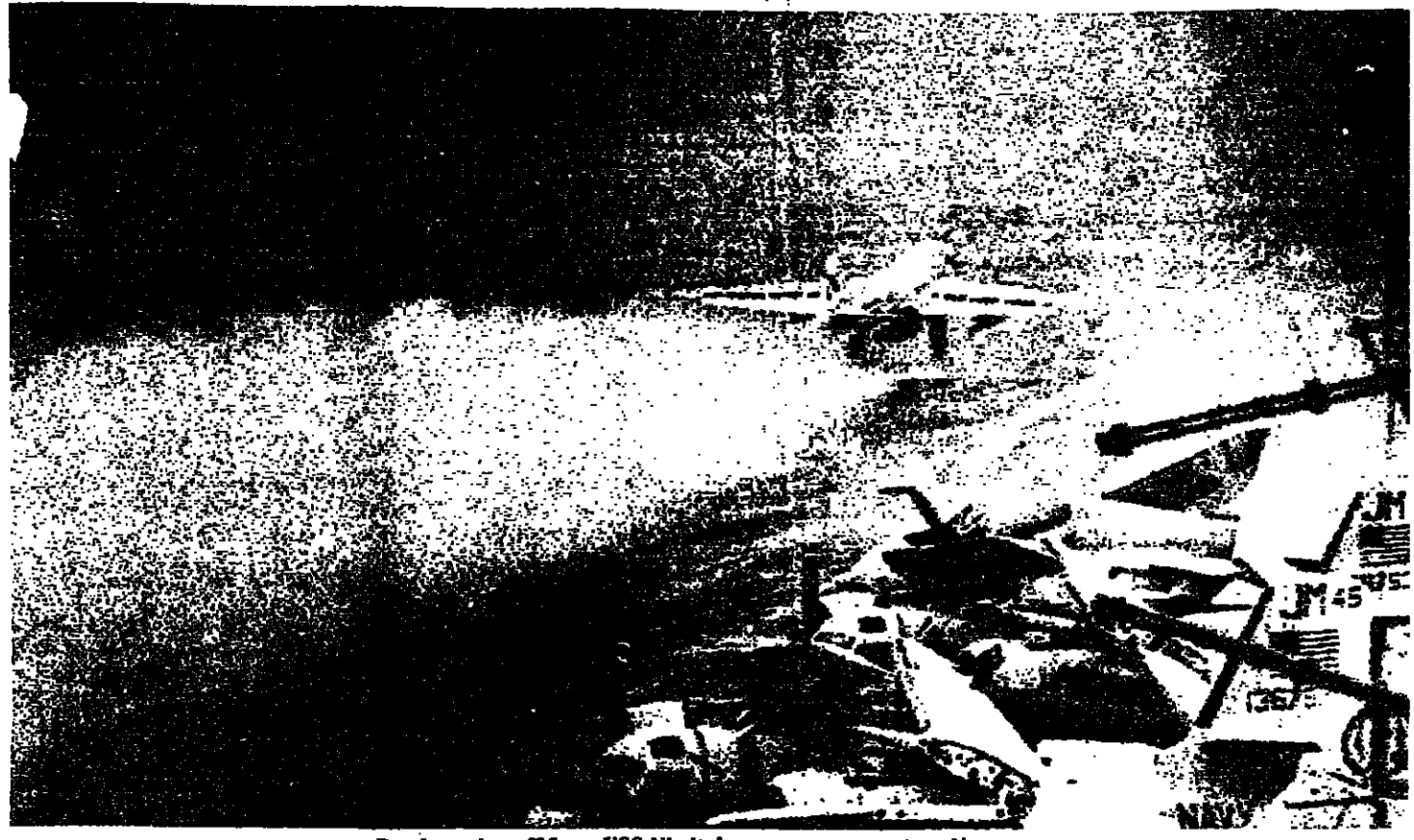
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Demonstrating.....



Bomber takes off from USS Nimitz in ocean near western Norway

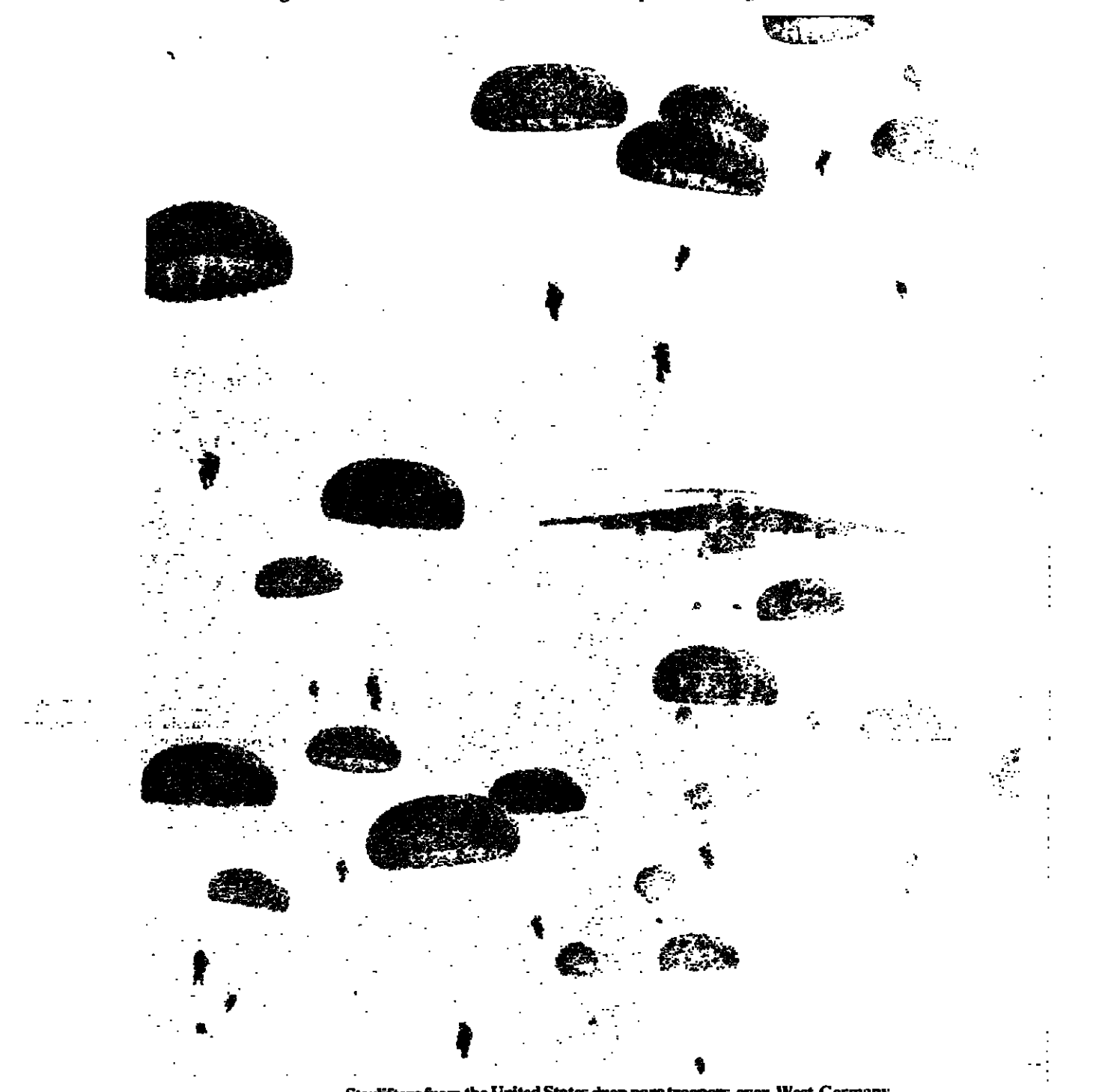


English and Dutch Marines sprint from helicopter in Norwegian field.

Everyone's got something to say... and recent demonstrations around the world tell different stories. From NATO maneuvers in Norway and Western Europe, to Peking across the globe, the world seems preoccupied with displaying its military prowess. Meanwhile, the people take to the streets in their own blatant expressions of dismay at the way things are.



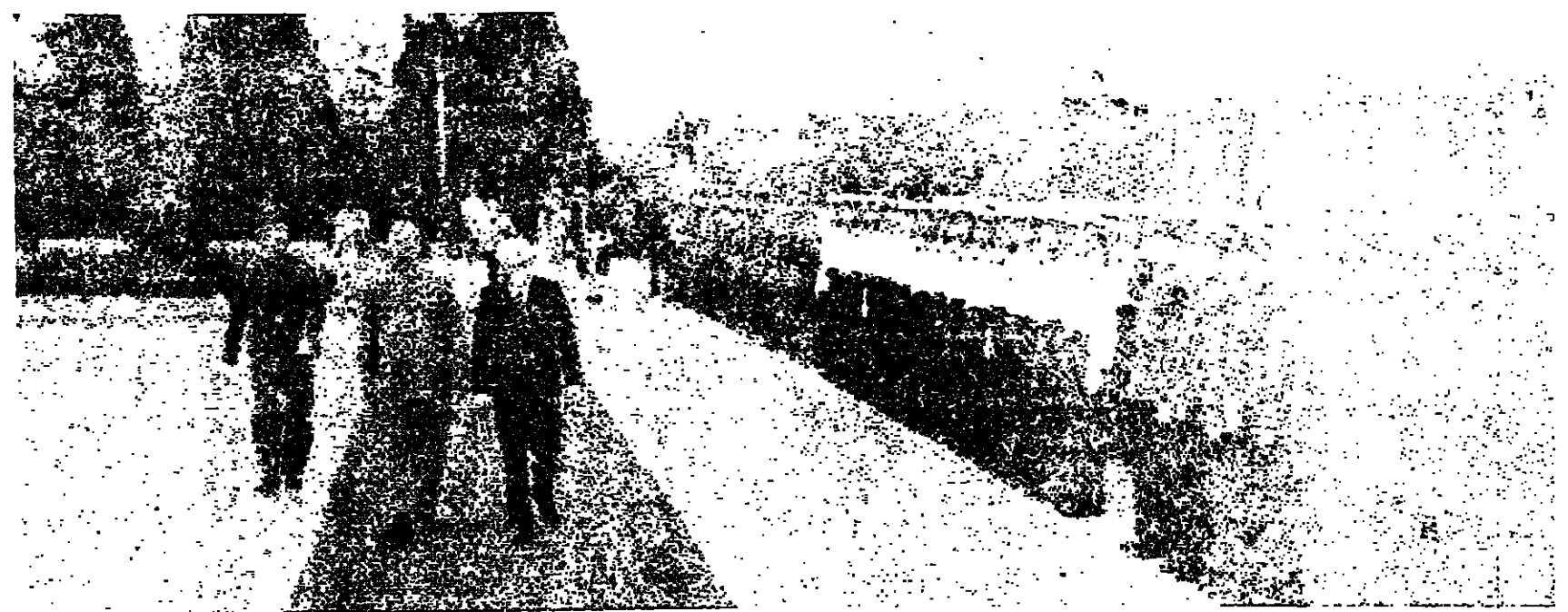
NATO officials joke with West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt during maneuvers in West Germany.



Starlifters from the United States drop paratroopers over West Germany



Police in Madrid block Andalusian demonstrators who are demanding autonomy in Spain. Below, youngsters angry at a government eviction of 'krakers' from an historic building, throw stones at police.



Italian President Pertini reviews lines of troops in Peking. Below, youths of India's Janata Party protest in front of Soviet embassy in New Delhi.



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"BUT IT'S JANUARY, MOM! HOW LONG AM I SPOSED TO BE EXCITED ABOUT MY CHRISTMAS STUFF?"

Contract Bridge B. Jay Becker Famous Hand

East dealer. East-West vulnerable.

NORTH
 ♠ 6 5 4
 ♥ K 9
 ♦ A 2
 ♣ Q 10 9 8 6 5

WEST
 ♠ A 8
 ♥ 10 8 4 3 2
 ♦ J 8 7 6 3
 ♣ A

EAST
 ♠ K Q J 10 7 3 2
 ♥ 6 5
 ♦ 9
 ♣ 7 4 2

SOUTH
 ♠ 9
 ♥ A Q J 7
 ♦ K Q 10 5 4
 ♣ K J 3

The bidding:
 East South West North
 3♦ 4♣ 4♠ 5♣
 Pass Pass Pass

This deal was played many years ago in a national pair championship. Holding the West hand was Harry Merkle, California expert. He found himself faced with the problem of finding the best opening lead against five clubs, which had been reached on the bidding sequence shown. (South's four club bid was artificial and was equivalent to a takeout double.)

Probably most players would almost automatically have led the ace and another spade and hoped for the best. But Merkle had not earned his reputation as a fine card player by making automatic leads. He was too experienced for that.

Instead, he decided that there was very little hope of scoring two spade tricks, and that probably his best chance to defeat the contract was to assume that his partner had either a singleton heart or a singleton diamond and would later be able to get a ruff on the second round of one of these suits.

But not knowing which red suit to lead to set up a ruff position, Merkle came forth with a rather unusual lead that he hoped would clarify the situation for him. And so, with malice aforethought, he chose the eight of spades as his opening lead!

Everything worked out exactly as Merkle had planned. East won the low spade lead with the ten and returned his singleton nine of diamonds. Declarer took the diamond in dummy with the ace and played a low trump to his king.

Merkle won the king with his singleton ace and, consistent with his original plan, returned a diamond. East ruffed — it was the third trick for the defense — and the outcome was that South went down one as a direct result of Merkle's well-calculated method of defense.

Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake

FOR MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1980

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth Sign.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)
 Let go of inner frustrations and capitalize on today's opportunities. You'll have a chance to progress through work.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20)
 The outlook is better for romantic twosomes than social get-togethers. Creative types need self-discipline to succeed.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)
 Not a time to mix business with pleasure. Someone could be jealous on the job. Romance could prove inspirational!

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)
 Not a time for visitors from afar who could upset your domestic routine. Serious discussions favored. Watch p.m. extravagance.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22)
 Business agreements need further thought. Creative work favored. Watch p.m. arguments. Seek new items for the home.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)
 Begin new creative projects. A close ally could be extravagant. Evening brings rapport with close ones.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)
 It may be difficult to concentrate at work. Ward off escapist tendencies. Creative pursuits favored. Trust intuition.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)
 Troublesome undercurrents affect emotional relationships. Excitement through new friends, but watch p.m. arguments.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)
 A career plan should be kept under wraps. Friends and relatives don't mix favorably. Your romantic feelings fluctuate between hot and cold.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)
 Good news from friends at a distance. You may make a major career decision. Watch arguments about sex. Someone plays hard to get.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)
 A friend may prove to be your best advisor. Be cautious in financial moves. Take a hard look at your assets. Forego romantic disputes.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)
 Don't let present difficulties keep you from making long-range plans. Evening may bring important relationship decision.

Crossword by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS
 1 Business emblem
 5 Sen. Ribicoff
 8 Swan genes
 9 Survivor
 13 Faction
 14 Austrian river
 15 Likewise
 16 "... the ramparts"
 17 Egyptian deity
 18 Tyke's mentor
 20 Yak
 21 Goller's bane
 22 "Vissi d'..."
 23 Irish river
 24 Engender
 25 Sommer
 26 Sellers
 27 Baseball's Girdy
 28 Garment
 29 I love (Sp.)
 30 Chinese dynasty
 31 Gratuity
 34 Town near Baltimore
 36 Area or Morse
 37 Guarantee
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 39 Cosset
 40 Tidy

DOWN
 1 Out of sight
 2 Potpourri
 3 Who can tell?
 4 Mining find
 5 Golonka
 6 "Viva Villa!" star
 7 Man's name
 10 I don't know!
 11 Dishonest one
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HE WOULD HAVE GIVEN US BRAINS -

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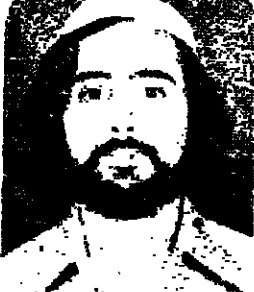
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'Respect rights' - Carter

U.S. warns Soviets on Poland

CHICAGO, Sept. 21 (R) — President Jimmy Carter Saturday night issued a veiled warning to the Soviet Union not to interfere in Poland's internal affairs following the recent labor unrest there.

Although he did not mention the Soviet Union by name, Carter told the Polish National Alliance here, "We will not interfere in Poland's affairs — and we expect that others will similarly respect the right of the Polish nation to resolve its problems on its own."

The Polish labor crisis with its widespread strikes, has provoked concern in the United States and other Western countries. It is feared that the Kremlin might intervene following Warsaw's decision to grant workers

the right to establish independent trade unions and the replacement of Polish party chief Edward Gierek.

Carter's statement came a day after the U.S. State Department reported signs of increasing Soviet military activity near the border with Poland. Referring to the wave of strikes that disrupted Poland and caused the government to negotiate directly with strike leaders over their demands for independent unions and other reforms, Carter said, "It now appears the crisis may be on its way to a peaceful and constructive resolution. Poland has reminded us that the desire for human rights and human dignity is universal."

The president said he had already demonstrated to the new Polish leadership his desire

for better relations by ordering quick approval of \$670 million in loan guarantees to enable Poland to purchase U.S. grain and other farm products.

Carter described the events in Poland as an exciting change that had inspired the world. He said the United States had pursued a careful policy "based on the need for a calm atmosphere free from outside interference."

Carter broke away from a weekend at his Camp David retreat in Maryland to make his first campaign appearance in Chicago, a city with the largest Polish population outside Warsaw. Chicago has an estimated one million people of Polish origin. Carter was clearly pitching for this ethnic vote which he needs to help him carry the state of Illinois in November's presidential election.

Investigation ordered

Damaged Titan II warhead recovered

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 (Agencies) — The nuclear warhead of the Titan II missile that exploded in its silo at Damascus, Arkansas, Friday night has been found and will be taken to nearby Little Rock Air Force base, a government source said Sunday.

The warhead will be taken by truck "as soon as possible" to be examined, the source — quoted in the *Washington Post* — said.

According to the terms of an agreement, the air force must inform the Arkansas governor of any movement of nuclear arms, but a spokesman for the governor said that no such information had been transmitted. The Pentagon and air force continued to refuse to confirm or deny reports that the warhead carried a nuclear charge. The adjutant commander of the strategic air command also refused to discuss the report during a press conference Saturday at Little Rock.

The *Arkansas Gazette* Sunday published radio conversations that it had intercepted

and transcribed while air force personnel were confusedly searching for the missing warhead. Several television stations had reported that the explosion propelled the warhead some 200 meters from the silo.

A commission appointed to investigate the explosion may be hampered by the fact that the missile was "reduced to bits and pieces," Gen. Lloyd Leavitt, an associate director of the Strategic Air Command, told a news conference Saturday night that several factors, acting separately or together, may have caused the explosion.

Leavitt declined comment on television reports that the nuclear warhead on the missile was thrown clear of the silo. He said, "we have about the worst case we could have in terms of a Titan accident," but declined to elaborate.

The door of the silo was blown away because it had been designed to resist shocks from outside and not from the heart of the

housing itself, the general said.

Sergeants David Livingston, who died Saturday from injuries he suffered in the blast, and Jeff Kennedy, who was in the silo, warned of the presence of fuel vapors before the blast, Leavitt said.

The two were immediately ordered out of the silo to protect them from the vapor. Neither could have done anything to prevent the explosion, Leavitt said.

Conway County Sheriff Carl Stobaugh said he learned from military radio transmissions that the warhead atop the intercontinental ballistic missile was hurled several hundred feet free of the silo. He said he learned the warhead had not been moved by Saturday night and the air force was working on it at the site.

According to Stobaugh, the radio transmissions said the warhead was catapulted 90 to 120 meters in the blast which left a debris-strewn crater 75 meters wide, but was recovered intact.



TITAN BLAST: A Titan II missile like the one that exploded in Arkansas last week stands in its silo in Kansas in the 1965 file photo at right. One man died and 10 others were injured. The map marks Damascus, the town where the explosion occurred.



(AP photo)

Decisive week looms for Polish unionists

WARSAW, Sept. 21 (AFP) — The coming week will be a crucial one for the future of Poland's emerging independent trade union movement, conceded by a hard-pressed Communist regime after last month's strikes in the heavy industry sector.

Monday, representatives of all the new independent unions will be convening in Gdansk to vote a single collective statute, before formally registering their unions with the Warsaw District Court on Tuesday or Wednesday. The statute will conform to the

one adopted by the MKZ, the Gdansk independent union that has been in the forefront of the fight for trade union independence.

But what organizational structures these unions are to have, and in what form they will be registered with the court, are matters that will be thrashed out at Monday's meeting.

The new unions are in agreement about union unity, but are divided about what form it should take. At a meeting in Gdansk on Friday three options were under study.

The first was for a single national independent union with a regional substructure. The second was for a federation of regional independent unions, all of which would unite symbolically to register with the Warsaw court this week. The third option was a collection of autonomous independent unions throughout the country, whose only link would be a coordinating committee.

Lech Walesa, leader of the Gdansk shipyard strikers, is known to favor the third option, believing that the new unions are faced with the pitfall of excessive centralization — exactly what workers blamed the official union for. However, he will reportedly bow to the majority preference for the first alternative — a single national union with four or six regional sections.

For the present, the unions have been operating under a provisional structure consisting of a committee for forming new unions under the chairmanship of Walesa himself and a "committee of intervention" ready to take action in any party of the country.

According to MKZ sources last week, some four million workers and white-collar employees have already joined independent unions.

But the figure can be at best a rough guess, for the independent union picture is evolving swiftly, despite obstacles set up by the state's regional administrations, a certain tight-mouthedness on the part of the news media, and the maneuvers of the official unions who are intent on seeing no more than a single national independent union.

All this has generated confusion throughout Poland among would-be members of the independent unions in their choice of what outfit to join. The situation brought a formal protest from the Gdansk MKZ, with Lech Walesa even threatening to call another strike.

Certainly official obstructive tactics have been widespread. In some cases factory managements have flatly refused to accept independent unions, and there have been reports of police pressure on some labor militants.

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Opposition leaders held

1 dead in Philippine blasts

MANILA, Sept. 21 (Agencies) — Ten bombs exploded simultaneously in different parts of the southern Philippine city of Cotabato Saturday, killing one person and injuring at least 14, it was reported Sunday.

Four bombs went off at the regional Muslim autonomous government compound in Cotabato City, 864 km south of Manila. Two

bombs exploded in a city park, and one each at the city hall compound, the Cotabato Light and Power Company complex, in a city street and near the house of the regional chairman. The explosions occurred from 9 to 12 p.m. Police and military authorities are investigating the bombings.

The Cotabato City bombings occurred just a week after eight bombs exploded in various parts of Manila, hitting two government ministries, two municipal halls and several commercial establishments. One person died and 32 were injured in those blasts.

An urban guerrilla group called the "April 6 Liberation Movement" claimed responsibility for the Manila bombings.

Meanwhile, the military Sunday arrested nine opposition leaders in the central Philippines, informed sources said. The arrests brought to more than 200 the number of persons jailed in connection with anti-government demonstrations marking the eighth anniversary of President Ferdinand Marcos' martial law regime.

Lt. Col. Rodolfo De Guzman, commander of the Philippine constabulary in Cebu City, 540 kms southeast of Manila, confirmed the arrests in a telephone interview. But he said he had been ordered by higher authorities not to identify those arrested.

The arrests were made before 500 to 1,000 demonstrators could begin a "freedom march" in downtown Cebu to demand an end to martial law, he said. Police and constabulary troops arrested 199 persons after clashing with thousands of stone-throwing demonstrators in Davao City 1,000 kms southeast of Manila, on Friday.

Anti-government demonstrations have been outlawed by the martial law regime. There were no official ceremonies to celebrate the anniversary of Marcos' so-called "new society."

Cousteau divers find luxury yacht

HOUGHTON, Michigan Sept. 21 (AP) — Divers aboard Jacques Cousteau's research ship *Calypto* have discovered and will film the 69-year-old wreck of a luxury ship "in perfect condition" at the bottom of Lake Superior, a crew member on the *Calypto* said Saturday.

"The ship, the *Gunilda*, is in perfect condition," crewman Christian Goues said in a marine telephone interview. "There is gold paint on the bow and on the stern where the name is written."

"The masts are still up and the rigging is still in not perfect but good condition because of the cold water. If it's not the most beautiful ship we've seen under water, it is one of the most beautiful."

The *Gunilda*, which went down in 1911, was found last week on the Macgarvey Shoal near Roscoff, Ontario. Goues said the luxury ship was "owned by a rich oil man and sank in very clear water about 80 meters deep. He denied a rumor that preserved bodies had been found on the ship."

"There was no one dead on the ship," Goues said. "The ship was on the shoals for several hours before it sank and people had the time to get off."

Good Morning

By Jihad Khazen

Work, the daily grind which is probably the major human institution, is surely the least popular. There are certainly those who will tell you they actually like their work. Yet no sooner they say this than they start hedging and qualifying until the first statement is stood on its head, and we are back with the more usual, if hardly inspiring, attitude of the majority: "I hate it. I wish I was doing something else."

This being the situation I was not surprised when a man told me: "I try my best. I observe two golden rules: The boss is always right, and, in the cases when he is obviously wrong — then apply the first rule above. But all to no avail. Haven't had a promotion in years. The higher-ups always complaining. Do job A and they ask why you didn't B. Start with B and they sneer: 'What about C? Are you asleep or what? They drive us crazy down there. It's inhuman.'"

"Come on," I said. "You exaggerate. They can't be that bad. Bosses are humans like you and me. Try to understand them once in a while." "Understand them," he flared. "Understand them? Do you know of the rules they impose on us? Have you seen the list they sent down? I am sending a copy to the United Nations. I am sure the anti slavery section will have something to say about this."

He was very agitated by now, waving a printed piece of paper under my nose. "You just read this," he shouted. "Read and then tell me they are human."

I looked at the printed paper in his hand and realized that the man was a leg-puller of no inconsiderable aptitude. The paper was part of a joke — or so I must assume, unless the United Nations tells me otherwise. It said, apropos such things as sick-leave:

"The Company utterly prohibits its employees from all surgical operations. Contracts stipulate that the whole man is employed, so that any removal of a part or parts of said man is clear breach of contract."

"They Company accepts that some of its employers will drop dead from time to time. But it requires notice of at least two weeks before they do so. Failure to comply with this will mean deductions from whatever pay is due to them..." Translated from *Ashraf Al Awasat*

French operate solar water pump

MONTPELLIER, France, Sept. 21 (AP) — A 24-kilowatt solar-powered water pump started operating near here last week, the most powerful in the world, according to its builders. They believed this model would be perfect for irrigating isolated and drought-stricken areas in the Third World.

There are several hundred smaller 1-kilowatt pumps currently being used in the Sahel (southern Saharan) belt in Africa, each supplying small villages of about 1,000 inhabitants with water for drinking and irrigation purposes.

The new large French solar water-pump operating near here is to test the possibility of using larger solar installations to irrigate wide areas of land. Environmental experts calculate that about 2,000 million people and two million villages suffer from lack of water either because it is too far away or is undrinkable.

The solution is to find a cheap source of power as the increased price of oil makes the usual diesel engine too costly, they say.

The initial cost of a 1-kilowatt power plant is relatively high \$37,500 to \$50,000 — but upkeep is cheap and simple. Twenty 1-kilowatt pumps of this kind were installed in the republic of Mali three years ago. Last year a 50-bed hospital was built in a desert area, with a 9.5-kilowatt solar plant supplying power for its operating theater, maternity ward and water needs.

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